

WEATHER FORECAST

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Tuesday:
Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong
north and east winds, continued fine and
cold.

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COLD WEATHER WILL CONTINUE, SAYS DENISON

Meteorological Superintendent
at Gonzales Observatory
Predicts Drop To-night

Cold Wave General in North-
west and Spreading South

Householders and owners of automobiles are warned to take necessary precautions against the weather to-night, for according to Superintendent Denison of the Meteorological Observatory, Victoria is in for another sharp touch of weather. He predicts that the cold snap will last for a few days longer.

Although the northeast wind, which blew almost unceasingly during the last twenty-four hours, ripped the ears and made fingers and toes tingle, the temperature was not as low as one would expect. The lowest temperature was registered at 1 o'clock this morning, being 19.5 above zero. Two hours later the temperature rose slightly with the advent of the sun.

On the theory that "misery loves company," Victorians may find some satisfaction in knowing that this city is not alone in the cold, for the winter snap is general all over the Northwest and is gradually spreading down to the Gulf of Mexico. In Portland the temperature is down to 26 above with three inches of snow, the snowfall having extended all the way from Seattle to Portland.

Heavy frost has been experienced in the Sacramento Valley and it is cold all through California.

BELOW ZERO RANGE
On the prairies temperatures of 20 to 26 below zero range, the lower temperature being at Regina. In South Dakota and in Colorado below zero temperatures are being experienced.

There is also every indication that there will be a sudden drop in temperature right down to the Gulf of Mexico.

CHILLY IN VANCOUVER
Vancouver, Dec. 12.—Thermometers in Vancouver reached the low mark of 20 degrees above zero at 5 a.m. to-day, and gradually rose to 20 and 21 above during the morning.

The first cold snap of the season hit the city late Friday night as the tail-end of an ocean gale breeze in. It made its first appearance Saturday morning. A stiff westerly breeze blew all day Saturday.

On Sunday morning the wind veered around to the northeast and blew steadily all day. From sunset the temperature dropped steadily throughout the night.

STORMS ON PRAIRIES
Winnipeg, Dec. 12.—The worst blizzard in years swept Alberta and Saskatchewan over the week-end, taking a known toll of two lives, disrupting transportation and piling snowdrifts ten to twenty feet high in some districts.

Mrs. John P. Stewart and her two-year-old daughter lost their lives in their own farmyard six miles east of Hanna, Alberta.

TRAFFIC STOPPED
The storm in Alberta was general throughout the province and was described as the worst in many years. Edmonton and Calgary experienced general traffic tie-ups, the heavy snowfall being a factor.

The storm was also general throughout Saskatchewan, though the snowfall was light in some sections. Traffic in the cities was hampered.

Manitoba experienced storm conditions to a milder degree.

COLD IN NORTHWEST U.S.
Seattle, Dec. 12.—The Pacific Northwest States to-day were in the clutches of winter, with six deaths attributed to snow and blizzards, which swept down from Alaska.

NEW DELHI IS WET
Delhi, Dec. 12.—India's new capital is to be wet when Parliament convenes here for the first time in January. A monsoon already is on foot to bar the sale of liquor. The new Delhi has been under construction fifteen years and bids fair to be one of the world's finest capitals.

ONTARIO DEFICIT
FOR YEAR \$389,385

Provincial Treasurer Says Revenue During Year Increased; Outlays Decreased

Toronto, Dec. 12.—According to the annual financial statement of the Ontario Government, just issued by Hon. E. D. Mowbray, Provincial Treasurer, Ontario's deficit for the fiscal year ended October 31 last was \$389,385, a decrease of \$4,537,715 from the 1925 deficit of \$4,537,715. The deficit in 1924 was \$8,255,645, and in 1923, \$14,822,925.

Expenditures during the past year decreased \$17,000 and revenues increased \$4,280,000.

In a statement, Dr. Monteth points to what he terms "the remarkable increase in ordinary revenue" and also stresses the fact that the expenditure in 1926 was kept below the level of 1925 and over \$1,000,000 under that of the closing year of the Drury administration.

AUTHOR AND WIFE FIND B.C. COAST SCENERY MOST ATTRACTIVE TO VISITORS



GOUVENEUR MORRIS MRS. MORRIS

B. C. PLANS EXPENDITURE OF ABOUT \$2,000,000 TO BUILD ROADS, IN PROGRAMME OF 1927

Reports that the Provincial Government intends to spend \$16,000,000 on road construction during the next three years and will ask the Legislature at its coming session for power to borrow this large amount were flatly denied at the Public Works Department to-day, following their publication yesterday.

With this denial came the intimation that next year's road programme would probably cost about \$2,000,000 and would likely be followed by similar programmes in the two succeeding years, provided the House approved the idea.

CHAMBER MEMBERS MEET WEDNESDAY

Wm. Pigott, President of the
Pacific Foreign Trade
Council, Speaker

Members of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce will be given full information on the Pacific Foreign Trade Council and the preparations being made for the great convention to be held here September 15, 16 and 17, at a general membership luncheon meeting to commence at 12.15 on Wednesday.

William Pigott, president of the conference, and E. P. Krenmer, secretary, will attend the meeting, and Mr. Pigott will be the chief speaker. The Vancouver Board of Trade, which has given the Victoria Chamber of Commerce an assurance that it will do everything possible to make the convention here next year a success, will send a delegation. F. S. Cunliffe, president of the Vancouver Island Board of Trade, will also be in attendance.

The executive in charge of the convention arrangements, consisting of C. P. W. Schweigert, Mayor J. C. R. W. Mayhew and H. B. Ker will confer with Mr. Pigott during his visit.

\$75,000 FIRE IN VANCOUVER TO-DAY

Firemen Were Hampered in
Their Fight by Freezing
Temperature

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—Damage estimated at approximately \$75,000 was caused by fire which raged through the Bowman Storage Company's warehouse building here throughout the early morning hours to-day.

The heaviest sufferers in the fire are the Bowman Storage Company and the Sherwin-Williams Paint Company.

The alarm was turned in shortly before 1 o'clock this morning and despite the work of crews and three firehalls the blaze could not be brought under control until almost daylight.

A freezing temperature hampered the men in their work. None were injured, but one of the firefighters had to be taken home suffering from cramps brought on by exposure.

The origin of the fire is unknown.

RAIL WORKERS KILLED

Nelson, B.C. Dec. 12.—Benjamin Arcure, fifty-seven, a section man, was killed yesterday morning 2 1/2 miles west of Nelson when he was struck by the incoming Kettle Valley train, which was several hours late in consequence of a slide west of the Kootenay division. Frank Arcure, his brother, section foreman, was cut about the head and bruised. The two men, who were patrolling the track on a hand car, were in a cut when the train, which they supposed was already in, came in sight. They were lifting the speeder from the track when struck.

Benjamin Arcure is survived by a widow and three children.

GOUVENEUR MORRIS VISITS COAST OF B.C.

Author Will Sail From Vancouver and Victoria For New Zealand Wednesday

Says He is Able to Write More on Ship Than at Any Point on Land

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—On his way to New Zealand, Gouveneur Morris, novelist and short story writer of the United States, is a visitor in Vancouver to-day, accompanied by his wife. They arrived here last night and are awaiting the sailing of the liner Aorangi for Australia next Wednesday.

Mr. Morris told interviewers the sea voyage was his primary purpose, because on shipboard he could do more work than at a fixed abode. The voyage to the Antipodes, he said, was one of the longest sea trips within easy access from his home at Monterey, Cal., and during the next three weeks he expected to do about three months' work.

"At home one is too accessible to many things to get much work done," he said. "I recently completed a voyage from England to San Francisco on a freighter and on that trip I did almost a year's work."

LOOKING FOR TREES

Mr. Morris hopes to fulfill a long-felt desire while in New Zealand, however. He is going to try to find some trees about which one of his college professors told him years ago. "He said there was a forest in New Zealand containing tree ferns that rose to a height of fifty to seventy feet and a variety of eucalyptus which grew to a height of 500 feet, which is 300 feet higher than the highest California redwoods," said Mr. Morris. "I have never met any New Zealander who had seen them, but I think they must be there, and I am going to find out."

Trees, he explained, were a hobby with him. In his garden he had a number of dwarf cypresses which grew in a remote and inaccessible part of the Monterey Peninsula.

PLAN TO RETURN

This is the first time Mr. and Mrs. Morris had ever been in Vancouver, and they have promised themselves a return visit.

Mr. Morris stated that after his all-day boat trip from Seattle he had decided to spend a Summer in a boat sometime soon cruising the inland waters of the Strait of Georgia and Puget Sound.

The Aorangi is scheduled to sail from Victoria Wednesday night.

LIBERALS ORGANIZE AT COBBLE HILL

Association Formed at Enthusiastic Meeting Saturday

Following the organization of the Langford Liberal Association a week ago, the Liberals of Cobble Hill, a well attended and enthusiastic meeting on Saturday evening formed a local association and elected their officers.

A number of visitors were present including a delegation from the newly-formed Chemainus Liberal Association.

The Hon. A. M. Manson, Attorney-General, spoke of the many beneficial measures of a social nature that had been put upon the statutes since the Liberal Government had been in power.

He also showed conclusively that the industries of British Columbia have been expanding and increasing year by year during the Liberal regime.

The opposition cry of extravagance was more political bunk, and cannot be substantiated, he told the audience.

C. H. O'Halloran spoke briefly on the needs of organization and predicted that the Liberal Government would see to it that the public are fast awakening to the appreciation of the great measure of benefit derived from Liberal legislation, he said.

A. T. Wright, president of the Esquimalt Liberal Association, in his address, was also optimistic of the outcome of the next election. After the business part of the meeting, Mr. Grainger entertained the audience with a song after which the ladies of the district provided some dainty refreshments. Dancing was then indulged in until midnight.

The following officers were elected: Hon. president, Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King; hon. vice-president, Hon. John Oliver; president, Mrs. B. A. McMillan; vice-president, T. P. Barry; executive committee, Messrs. T. P. Barry, W. Aldford and E. D. Sheringham; J. J. Douglass, J. A. Douglass and G. E. Bonner; S. A. Pomeroy, president of the Esquimalt District Liberal Association, presided.

BEVERLY HILLS, CAL., MAKES WILL ROGERS, HUMORIST, MAYOR

Dec. 12.—Will Rogers, cowboy humorist, has been elected mayor of this city, his own home town. The announcement came to-day in the form of an elaborate proclamation issued by the Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce and duly authorized by the Board of Trustees.

Rogers, who was notified of his election in New York, replied it was a surprise to him.

"If I go in, there must be reform," the lariat thrower wired.

Will's home town is making lavish preparations to welcome the cowboy mayor, who is expected to return here December 21.

LIQUOR SHIPMENTS ARE CARRIED BY CANADA'S STEAMERS

Exporters' Director Tells Customs Commission of Government Marine's Course

Tom Fay, Liquor Salesman, Gives Evidence Before Commission at To-day's Sitting

Vancouver, Dec. 12 (Canadian Press)—Russell Whitelaw, a director of the Consolidated Exporters of British Columbia, told the Customs Inquiry Commission here this morning that the Canadian Government Merchant Marine had agreed to transport liquor from Great Britain to Vancouver on through bills of lading from Mexico or Central American ports.

As brought out in evidence already given, most of this liquor ultimately goes to the United States.

Mr. Whitelaw said other steamship lines had refused to carry it before the Canadian Government line accepted the job.

FAY TESTIFIED

Followed reports of a big reduction in Tom Fay, much sought by the commission, at last appeared to-day. He opened his testimony by informing counsel he had traveled under so many names "I can't remember them all."

Frequently he had used the name of James Cameron, which was the name mentioned by other witnesses before the commission.

The story told by Mr. Fay once more brought in the mysterious "Rodriguez" who, the witness declared, was the consignee of the liquor cargo of the power schooner Chris Moeller. Mr. Fay declared Rodriguez was not a myth, but that he had sold him the Chris Moeller cargo. The transaction had taken place when he (Fay) was in San Francisco and Los Angeles last October.

TO SAN BLAS

"Was the cargo going to San Blas, Mexico?" asked Mr. Rowell, mentioning the port named in the ship's clearance papers.

"Yes," he replied.

"You are prepared to go the whole hog," said counsel.

NAMES WRITTEN

Mr. Fay objected strenuously to giving the names of men whom he had met in Los Angeles and San Francisco, after appearing before the commission, he was instructed to write the names down and hand them to counsel. The men, he said, were of great importance in the United States.

He denied he had been accompanied by R. M. Morgan of the Eastern Presbytery, Los Angeles, and he also denied he had sent the large remittance of cash which were received by the Manitoba Treferies.

Some of the names he traveled under, he said, were: Mr. Deberly, Cameron, Black and Blossom.

DID NOT RIDE

Mr. Fay remembered meeting a man called Martino in Los Angeles, who "was with a stool pigeon called Faulkner."

"Did you go for a ride with him?" asked counsel.

"I don't ride with stool pigeons," said the witness.

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Smuggling of Much Liquor is Charged

Atlantic City, N.J., Dec. 12.—Conspiring with United States coastguards and the subsequent smuggling of 12,000,000 worth of liquor into Atlantic City a year ago were charged here when Federal agents arrested Mitchell Solitaire of this city on charges of conspiracy, possession and transportation of liquor.

The agents said Solitaire had conspired with the coastguards to allow the landing of more than 25,000 cases of liquor in Great Bay, near here. He was held in \$25,000 bail for a hearing.

CIVIL SERVANTS ASKING HIGHER PAY

Federal Employees Also Ask
Changes Made in Superannuation Act

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—A flat increase of \$200 a year, retroactive to April 1 last, for all classes of civil servants, a number of amendments to the Superannuation Act and the establishment of civil service councils will be asked of the Federal Government.

This was decided upon at a conference held here Saturday by representatives of all branches of the civil service throughout Canada.

The requests will be presented to the Government in the near future. Amendments to the Superannuation Act suggested by the conference include the following:

Reduction of interest on arrears of contribution; overseas military or naval service to count as service under the act; the period during which civil servants may elect to come under the provisions of the act to be extended for another year; additional benefits on retirement; contributions for women and unmarried men of the service; periods of prior service in Mounted Police to be deemed service under the act; permanent employees of the Public Works or other departments paid a fixed yearly salary, based on prevailing rates, to be permitted to benefit under the act; that the act be amended to provide for a board to administer it on which the service would be represented.

SUPPORTS MOVE TO PREVENT THE USE OF GAS IN WARFARE



SENATOR W. E. BORAH

U.S. LEADERS DEBATE WAR POISON GAS

Request For Senate Ratification of Geneva Protocol Divides People

Washington, Dec. 12.—The Geneva protocol for suppression of poison gas in warfare, now before the Senate of the United States for ratification, is arousing such a controversy that some of its sponsors are considering the advisability of having it returned to the foreign relations committee.

It was brought to the floor by Chairman Borah of the committee, and he is leading the fight for ratification, while Chairman Wadsworth of the military committee is marshalling the opposition.

Outside the Senate a number of organizations and individuals have taken positive positions for or against the protocol with the American Legion, the American Chemical Society and the Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturers' Association most vigorous in denouncing its provisions.

At the same time, General J. J. Pershing, honorary president of the Legion, is in favor of ratification. In a letter read to the Senate by Chairman Borah, he said he could not "think it possible that our country should fail to ratify" the protocol, and that "scientific research may discover a gas so deadly that it will produce an instant death" and make possible the wiping out of great masses of non-combatant men, women and children.

Opponents of the protocol, on the other hand, insist gas is the most humane weapon of warfare. Secretary of State Kellogg's recommendation that it be ratified came in for several rounds of attack during the meeting in New York last week of the chemical manufacturers' organization.

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HOLDERS GET \$220 A SHARE

The sale is made on the basis of about \$220 a share for the controlling interest. It was learned to-day that minority shareholders, who desire to produce to be paid, are planning for their stock. The B.C. Telephone Company has \$4,300,000 of common stock issued and \$1,000,000 of preferred. A large amount of the stock is in private hands in Victoria, Vancouver and elsewhere in the province.

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Mrs. Cora Sutton Castle, author, wife of a San Francisco surgeon, was among the passengers rescued.

237 ABOARD

There were 237 aboard the steamer when she struck, including a number of foreign women and children, three of the latter being babies in arms. It is known the ship was on her course instead of being thrust on to rocks by a tremendous undercurrent or storm, as was reported.

Passengers who were brought here paid high tributes to the officers of Lien Shing and the Chinese crew for their gallantry and courage in the emergency.

BOUND FOR SHANGHAI

The Lien Shing, which was owned by the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, was en route from Tientsin to Shanghai. She was a steel cargo of comparatively modern construction.

NEW GERMAN-ITALIAN ARBITRATION TREATY

Geneva, Dec. 12.—German and Italian jurists here have put the final touches on the draft of a treaty of arbitration between Germany and Italy. It is similar in form to the 1911-1912 treaty, though it does not provide for arbitration of all possible causes of conflict, as does the latter pact.

CHARGES ABANDONED

Washington, Dec. 12.—Abandonment of impeachment charges against Federal Judge George W. English of Illinois had been approved by the House of Representatives.

B. C. TELEPHONE CONTROL BOUGHT BY KANSAS CITY FIRM FOR \$220 A SHARE

Theodore Gary Interests, Second in the World Only to American Telephone and Telegraph Company, Get Local Company After Bidding Which Has Been Going on for Months; No Local Changes Now, But Automatics May Come Later; Large Investment Shows Much Confidence in This Province

Purchase of the control of the British Columbia Telephone Company, operating the telephone services of Victoria, Vancouver and the long distance and local lines in other parts of the Province, by the Theodore Gary telephone interests of Kansas City and a group of affiliated companies, was announced to-day.

The announcement was made at Kansas City by J. G. Crane, vice-president of Theodore Gary and Company, and follows the story forecasting the change in control published exclusively by The Victoria Times last Saturday.

The purchase will involve no change in staff locally, it was announced. There will be changes in the directorate, however, to make provision for the Kansas City control.

The B.C. Telephone Company operates 100,000 telephones in this Province. The Theodore Gary interests own or control eighty per cent of the world's output of automatic telephones and operate and control scores of telephone service companies in the United States, Canada, Great Britain and other parts of the world. The Gary interests form the largest telephone organization of the world outside of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

PRIVATE SALE SWINGS DEAL

The sale of the British Columbia Company was arranged privately after outside interests had been making offers for it for months. Months ago San Francisco engineers, acting for what was reported to be the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, inspected the local and other British Columbia plants, but the deal was not then concluded, although they made bids.

The purchase by the Gary interests was effected as a result of the decision of Mrs. J. Lefevre of Vancouver to sell. Her block of stock has represented one of the controlling interests of the company. The G. Farrel and Mrs. Lefevre interests, it was learned to-day, will receive about \$3,000,000 for their share in the company.

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FOREST FIRES SET BY UNEMPLOYED MEN

Believed Outbreaks in Australia Caused by Dissatisfied Idle Laborers

Sydney, Aus. Dec. 12.—The discovery of a number of outbreaks of bush fires, which are still raging in parts of New South Wales, lends color to the belief that some of the fires were caused by criminal intent. It is rumored some of the fires are kept going by unemployed, because farmers have not been engaging men as freely as in past years.

Two further deaths have been reported, making the total death toll in the present outbreaks six. Furman was suffering from a wound on the forehead and was taken to a hospital for emergency treatment.

Man in Vancouver Beaten by Thugs

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—Claiming he had been held up and robbed of \$44 by two men who hailed him on Union Street here, E. Engstrom was picked up in a dazed condition on Main Street by Constable W. H. Keady, at 1:30 this morning. The man was suffering from a wound on the forehead and was taken to a hospital for emergency treatment.

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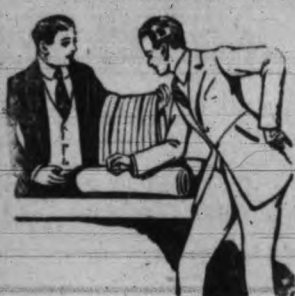
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Dr. Gillis, dentist, Campbell Building.

New Winter Schedule to Gulf Islands, Effective Monday, November 8.

The steamer Otter will leave Belleville Street wharf every Monday and Wednesday at 7:15 a.m. and every Thursday at 8 a.m. for Gulf Island points. Also the Princess Royal from Victoria every Tuesday at 11 a.m., calling at Port Washington, Ganges and Mayne Island en route to Vancouver.

Traveling to the Old Country? Canadian National Railways represent all trans-Atlantic steamship lines. Courteous and careful attention to all bookings.

Chicken lunch to-morrow at Kelway's, 50c. Munch.

Lecture on earthquakes by F. Napier Denison, Esq., Meteorological Observatory, at Hollywood Mission, Poul Bay, Tuesday, 8 p.m., December 14. Admission 25 cents. Auspices Five C's F.C.

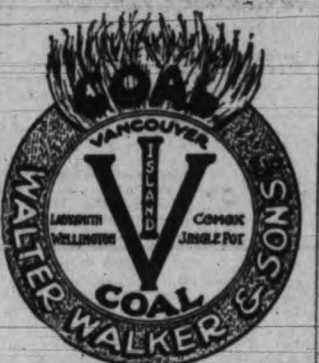
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BURDE WILL FIGHT EFFORT TO WEAKEN MINIMUM WAGE ACT

Should it be Made Stronger Is Question Now, Says Bill's Sponsor

Any attempt to weaken British Columbia's new minimum wage law will be vigorously resisted by Labor members of the Provincial Legislature at its coming session.

"Any attempt to rescind or weaken the law seriously cannot be tolerated," Major R. J. Burde, of Alberni, father of the legislation, declared today. "Certainly I shall resist any such proposal with all means in my power and to me it is inconceivable that the House, which passed the legislation almost unanimously last year, could turn around and scrap it or weaken it in such a way as to make it ineffective."

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NEW AGREEMENT ON GERMAN ARMS PLANS

(Continued from page 1)

An important feature of the agreement is a provision whereby each of the countries represented in the Ambassadors' Council may attach to its Berlin embassy a technical expert empowered to negotiate concerning the execution of any agreement bearing on Germany's fulfillment of the disarmament conditions of the treaty. This is regarded as of considerable significance as it means a sort of military supervision over Berlin itself. Whether these experts will remain indefinitely is not clear.

LEAGUE'S RESPONSIBILITY

The outcome of the meeting yesterday throws increasing responsibility on the League of Nations as the mechanism guiding the relations of the nations of Europe. It gives new interest and vigor to the problem of the general limitation of armaments.

At Paris, M. Briand will have the Ultra-nationalists to criticize his work of conciliation and political enemies seeking to undo him. At Berlin, Dr. Stresemann has the Nationalist opposition, which is almost certain to accuse him of surrendering to France.

After the meeting yesterday, M. Briand said that personally he was well satisfied.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The following statement was issued yesterday:
"The course of a meeting in Geneva to-day between the representatives of the Governments of Germany, Belgium, France, Great Britain, Italy and Japan, relative to questions still pending before the Inter-Allied Military Control Commission and the Ambassadors' Council, it was recognized in the first place with satisfaction that out of more than 100 questions which divided them in June, 1925, regarding execution of the military, naval and air clauses of the Treaty of Versailles, an agreement had been reached on a majority."

"Two only are still outstanding. It is therefore permissible to hope an amicable settlement of these two questions will also be possible."

NEW PROPOSALS

"In these circumstances an agreement has been reached and diplomatic negotiations will be continued before the Ambassadors' Council on the question of fortifications and war materials. Fresh proposals will be made with a view to assisting the progress of the discussion and facilitating its conclusion."

"Pending a settlement, all work on the fortifications in question will cease, without prejudice to the right of each party to maintain its legal viewpoint."

The Inter-Allied Military Control Commission will withdraw from Germany January 31, 1927, and as from that date Article 212 of the treaty of peace will be applied in accordance with the conditions laid down by the Council of the League of Nations."

FOR DECISION BY COUNCIL

"If on that date and contrary to expectation an amicable agreement has not been reached with regard to these questions, they will be submitted to the Council of the League of Nations."

"Each of the governments represented on the Ambassadors' Council will be at liberty to attach to its Berlin embassy a technical expert authorized to reach an agreement with the competent German authorities with regard to all questions of execution respecting the settlements reached or to be reached."

CABINET APPROVES

Paris, Dec. 12.—The French Cabinet met last evening and extended its blessings to M. Briand upon his Geneva accord with Gustav Stresemann, German Foreign Minister, on the question of Inter-Allied military control. Incidentally the members of the Cabinet gave themselves a little pat on the back in an official communique issued by Senator Raut, giving M. Briand's associates in the Government part of the credit.

The Council of Ministers, said the communique, "has registered its accord with the Foreign Minister and congratulates itself on the happy result of the collaboration between the Government and M. Briand."

"All goes well," said M. Painleve, Minister of War, on leaving the meeting.

Another ministerial meeting was held to-day.

BRITISH ATTITUDE

London, Dec. 12.—The agreement made by the foreign ministers in Geneva yesterday to do away with the Inter-Allied Control Commission in Germany at the end of next January and place the military affairs of that country in the hands of the League of Nations is generally approved by the London newspapers. It is characterized as a logical development of the Locarno policy and a triumph for common sense. In some quarters, however, there is an intimation of fear, lest Germany, after the present Government shall have disappeared, will cease to be loyal to the cause of peace. Some of the newspapers express the hope that the Allied troops occupying the Rhineland will be withdrawn at the earliest possible moment. They argue that continuance of occupation not only would be offensive and humiliating to Germany, but unnecessary and unwise.

Vancouver Man Faces Worthless Cheque Charges

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—Alleged to have cashed worthless cheques with Vancouver merchants for sums aggregating more than \$1,000 and to be wanted in several United States cities for similar activities, James Young, alias Ross, alias Wilson, was arrested here at the week-end.

Several cheques bearing an "accepted" stamp, the rubber stamp itself, a valuable fur coat and cash amounting to \$574 comprised the possessions of Young when he was arrested.

His arrest was effected following a complaint from David Spencer Limited. Other firms he is said to have passed worthless cheques on, all for amounts ranging from \$50 to \$200, are the Hudson's Bay Company; Lennex's, Granville Street; the McDonald Jewelry Company, Walker & Robertson, clothiers and the Devonshire Hotel.

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COLD WEATHER WILL CONTINUE, SAYS DENISON

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On the coasts of Oregon and Washington snow fell yesterday, while the mercury dropped below the freezing point. Three inches of snow were recorded in a few hours at Portland, a general continuation of the snowfall was predicted in the interior of the two coast cities and in Montana and Idaho sub-zero temperatures prevailed, with even colder weather forecast.

FOUR LOST LIVES

Near Tacoma, Wash., two persons were killed in an automobile which skidded on newly-fallen snow in Kitsap County, west of Seattle, a man and his wife were crushed to death by a tree which fell before the winter wind and broke through the top of their car.

RADIO SILENT

Alaskans were concerned over the safety of persons on the Aleutian Islands and the adjacent mainland, when radio stations continued silent after a three-day storm.

Since 6 o'clock Saturday night no word had been received from the powerful naval station at Dutch Harbor, in the Eastern Aleutians, which is usually in hourly communication with navy headquarters here. Attempts to communicate with United States Commissioner Drift-

field, who maintains a private station at Unga, off the Peninsula, likewise were fruitless.

COLDEST OF SEASON

Kansas City, Dec. 12.—Cold north-west winds to-day brought snow flurries to many parts of the Middle-western and Southwestern parts of the United States, sending the mercury tumbling, with the prospect that this section would experience the coldest weather of the season following a blizzard which yesterday struck the mountain states.

Driven by brisk winds, the storm swept southward from Western Canada Saturday night and yesterday enveloped the Rocky Mountain region and parts of the Pacific Northwestern States. The blizzard continued early to-day in the territory east of the Continental Divide.

Orphans' Home Annual Meeting

The fifty-fourth Annual Meeting of the B.C. Protestant Orphans' Home will be held on Tuesday, December 14, 1926, at 4 p.m., at the City Hall, Victoria, B.C., for the purpose of considering the annual reports, the election of a Board of Management, and transacting any other business in the interests of the Home.

J. A. SAYWARD, President.

R. HAYWARD, Secretary.

MAIL PLANES DELAYED

Sweeping through Montana into Wyoming, Utah and Colorado, the blizzard yesterday held up air mail planes, halted auto traffic, threatened train movements and caused concern to livestock men.

No deaths were reported in the Northwestern States.

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AFFAIRS DEBATED BY LIVESTOCK MEN

B.C. Association Re-elects G. Sangster President at Convention in Vancouver

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—George Sangster of Victoria was re-elected president of the British Columbia Livestock Breeders' Association at the annual meeting here on Saturday. H. Helmer of Nicola was elected to continue the duties of secretary-treasurer.

Directors for the ensuing year for Vancouver Island were elected as follows: F. Herford, Courtney; Frank Bishop, Saanich, and James Turner, Cadboro Bay.

Problems of the various sections of the livestock industry were discussed at length during the convention. Co-operative marketing of beef cattle was gone into, and Mr. Helmer reported for the committee in charge of this matter that progress had been made in formulating a system for selling British Columbia's output of beef. Mr. Helmer's committee was endeavoring to stabilize the beef market in the Province and prevent overloading, he said.

Delegates to the Western Canada Livestock Union convention to be held in Winnipeg February 14, 15 and 16, were appointed in the persons of Messrs. Sangster, Helmer, Alec Davis, Matt Hansen and Hay. An invitation has been extended by the union to Hon. E. D. Barrow to address the convention in the interests of the British Columbia beef cattle-men.

Plans were formulated for holding the annual show and sale of livestock at Nanaimo in the Spring.

ITALIANS IN DETROIT FOUGHT

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 12.—Fascists and anti-Fascists staged a free-for-all fight last night in front of a theatre here where General Umberto Nobile was to deliver an address on his trip across the North Pole in the dirigible Norge.

Several hundred persons took part in the disturbance, which was quelled after police had arrived and several demonstrators were arrested. No one was injured.

GEORGE SANGSTER

President of the British Columbia Livestock Breeders' Association.

UNIVERSITY GROUP VISIT NEW YORK

Cambridge, Eng., Dec. 12.—Twelve Cambridge University undergraduates, some bearers of historic titles, are to cross the Atlantic for Christmas to get a first-hand view as to just how New York's "486" functions. They will be guests of some of the best known hostesses of that city, and also plan to visit Washington.

The party includes Count Serge Orloff Davidoff of Winchester School and Trinity College; Hon. John Davies of Trinity College, a member of the Cambridge Hunt and a whip of the Cambridgehire Beagles; Duncan Whitaker of "Clitheroe," Lancashire, and St. John's College, an enthusiastic hunter and marksman, and Dr. Foster Smart of London and St. John's College, an active cricketer and football player.

It is also possible Lord Burghley, son of the Marquis of Exeter, of Magdalen College, internationally famous as a runner, and Sir William Williams, Bart. of St. John's College, will join the party.

The group will sail from Southampton, December 14, and will leave New York, January 8, for the homeward voyage. Its organization was due to the activity of Coleman Williams of St. John's College, a son of Roger H. Williams, New York banker.

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At \$3.75 Per Pair—Don't Hand-sewn Doe-skin Gloves, one dome, in shades of ash and grey; sizes 6 to 7.

At \$2.95 Per Pair—Washable Trefousse Cape Kid Gloves, two button, in tan, buff, brown and grey; sizes 6 to 7.

At \$4.25 Per Pair—Trefousse Washable Cape Gauntlets, elastic in wrist, in tan, brown, grey and buff; sizes 6 to 7.

At \$2.25 Per Pair—Trefousse Regulation French Kid Gloves, two domes, in black, white and all the wanted colors and sizes.

At \$2.95 Per Pair—Novelty Trefousse French Kid Gloves, with embroidered cuffs; very neat styles.

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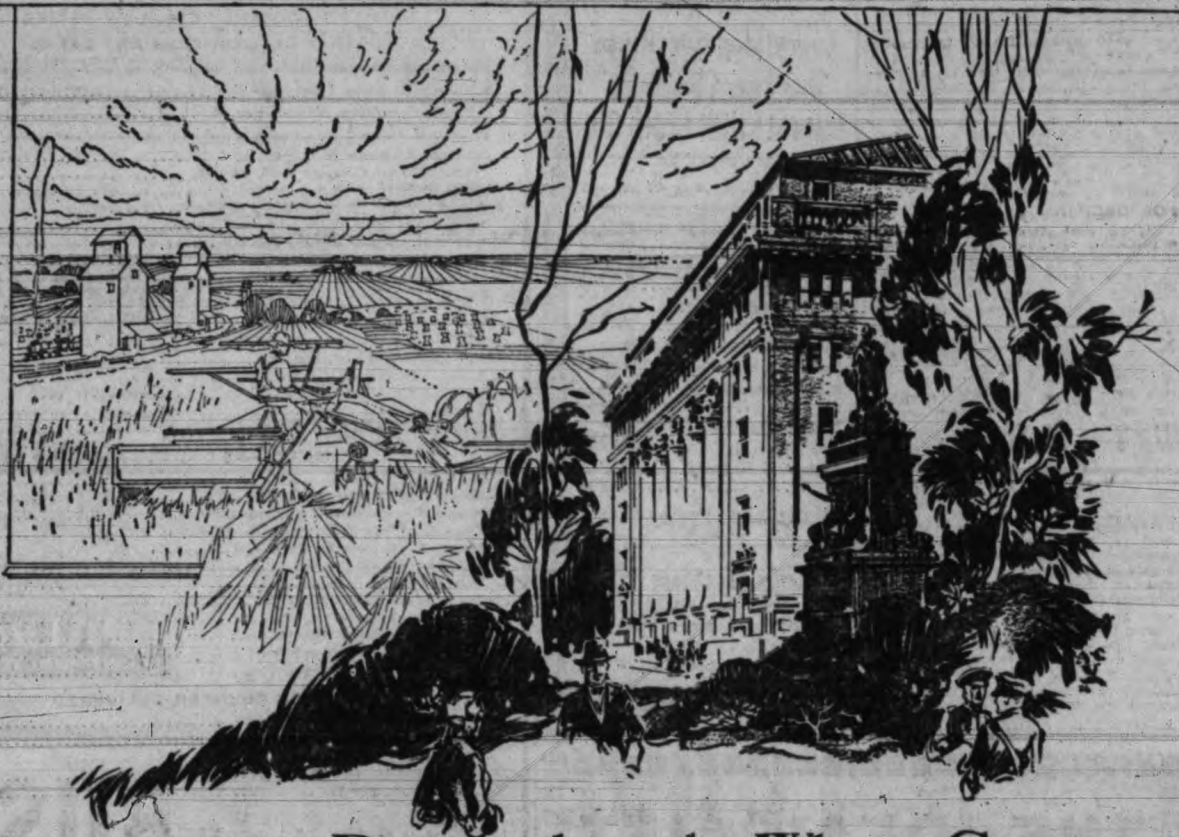
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STATED FERDINAND CANNOT RECOVER

Paris, Dec. 12.—The death of King Ferdinand of Roumania is a matter of weeks—few months at best—in the opinion of most reliably-informed travelers reaching Paris from Bucharest.

These travelers affirm the recent series of operations performed upon the sick monarch was only temporary expedients, and that the cancerous growth within the intestines, which is the real trouble, has not been touched.

Only the gravest form of surgical intervention, with desperate odds against the royal patient, would insure the king's improvement, and at the present state of affairs the surgeons decline to take such a step on the ground that it would probably result in the immediate death of Ferdinand, it is stated.

Reports that former Crown Prince Carol will probably go to Bucharest to bid farewell to his father constantly are recurring, say the travelers, but they add it appears that while the king would like to see his son, Queen Marie and the Bratianu brothers, who admittedly hold strong views over Roumanian political affairs, are strongly opposed to it.

Apathy, say these who declare they know conditions in Roumania, is the only way to describe the feelings of the lower classes of the general populace.

"All a dictator would have to do," said one traveler, "would be to secure the public buildings and other strategic points in the capital, and above all, see the city was fed. The potential Roumanian dictator would need a minister of railways and transportation more than a regiment."

Many Attended Steeves Funeral

New Westminster, Dec. 12.—The funeral of the late Dr. Harold Chapman Steeves was held Saturday from the Masonic Temple here to the Mountain View Cemetery, Vancouver. Rev. Dr. A. M. Sanford, chaplain of King Solomon Lodge, conducted the service, which was attended by a large number of friends of the late official. Floral tributes were numerous and from many sections of the Province.

Dr. Steeves, who was superintendent of the British Columbia Mental Hospital at Essondale, died suddenly last week at Victoria.

**Rev. Dr. J. G. Brown
Died in Ontario**

Tillsonburg, Ont., Dec. 12.—Rev. Dr. J. G. Brown, a professor in McMaster University, Toronto, died suddenly Saturday evening while travelling on a train between Ingersoll and Tillsonburg.

Dr. Brown formerly was a missionary in India and was widely known in Canada.

FOSSIL BEDS IN SASKATCHEWAN TO BE INVESTIGATED

Winnipeg, Dec. 12.—In all probability the Federal Government next Summer will investigate the fossil beds in the Estevan district, Saskatchewan. A letter to this effect has been received by John Kennedy of the United Grain Growers' Company here. The letter was written by H. Collins, director of the mines branch of the Department of the Interior.

Mr. Collins says that if possible he will have a geologist go over the fields with Mr. Kennedy with a view to preparing an exhibit for display at Ottawa. Apparently pre-historic animals congregated in this district, because Federal Government officials have found parts of dinosaurs south of Deloraine in the Wood Mountains.

Theatre Collapse In Alexandria Was Cause of Deaths

Alexandria, Egypt, Dec. 12.—Seven persons were killed and thirty injured Sunday night when the roof of the Lion Theatre, a movie house here, collapsed.

AVOID FLAVOR

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JEAN RICHPIN DIED IN PARIS

Paris, Dec. 12.—Jean Richpin, widely known poet, playwright, novelist and journalist, died at his home here Sunday in his seventy-eighth year. He was born in Mejean, in Algeria, February 4, 1849.

AUTO FATALITY

Niagara Falls, Dec. 12.—Paul Caso, twenty-two, lost his life as a result of carbon monoxide poisoning. John Tedesco, twenty-two, is in a serious condition, and two girls are suffering from the effects of gas. The four were found in a sedan in the Casco garage. The engine of the car had stopped when the victims were found. It is believed they were overcome soon after the car had been driven in and that the engine continued to run until the gasoline tank was empty.

TWO WORKMEN LOST THEIR LIVES

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—Accidents claimed the lives of two employees of the Abernethy Loughed Logging Company at Port Haney at the week-end. Working with a blasting gang at Camp 4 at 11 a.m. Saturday, A. Homanuk was instantly killed when a huge rock rolled on him. According to statements given out by company officials, Homanuk went to put in more powder immediately after a charge had been fired. He stooped beneath a giant boulder perched precariously on the side of the cavity. The great mass fell, crushing him. An inquest will be held.

Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at Camp 2, a large limb fell from a tree, striking Richard Holmberg, thirty-five, on the head. He died instantly. An inquest conducted by Coroner Dr. G. A. Sutherland Saturday afternoon resulted in a verdict of accidental death.

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MONEY MUST BE FOUND

ONE OF THE clearest features of the controversy which has arisen as a result of the Government's proposal to substitute a Turnover Tax for the Personal Property Tax is the fact that without one or other of them there can be little or no hope of any reduction of the income tax.

It is recognized that the Personal Property Tax is both unpopular and unscientific and should be replaced by a more equitable form of taxation. The Turnover Tax has been suggested by the Government because it will enable the Department of Finance to collect revenue from many who now escape taxation. It would be in fact a service tax, and, on the average, would work out lower than the Personal Property Tax. It would produce more revenue than is at present being produced and hasten lower taxation of incomes.

The old adage "we can not have our cake and eat it" can be applied to this controversy. No magic spring provides the money with which to run the affairs of the Province. We have said that the Personal Property Tax is neither popular nor logical; but the fact remains that some other tax besides the income tax must be collected for essential revenue purposes or the income tax must be increased. Majority opinion so far obtained seems to agree that the best substitute, and one that will be more profitable to the taxpayer in the long run, is the Turnover Tax.

With the exception of, perhaps, the Vancouver Board of Trade and the British Columbia branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, the proposal finds as much favor as any form of taxation could expect to find. On that account the Government will be well advised to submit it to the Legislature at the coming session.

BETTER IMMIGRATION FIGURES

ALTHOUGH CANADA COULD TAKE many more new settlers than are at present arriving in this country every month, it is satisfactory to note that the October figures of this year show an increase of thirty per cent, over the total arriving for the corresponding month in 1925. For the ten months, January to October inclusive, moreover, the immigration authorities at Ottawa announce an increase of sixty-three per cent over the corresponding period of last year, the total being 122,848, with October contributing 10,013, compared with 7,703 for October a year ago.

While the total for the whole of 1926 will be a considerable way behind the totals for the years between 1910 and 1914—when the lowest was 210,000 and the highest 402,000—the progress made so far this year over the corresponding ten months of 1925 is an encouraging omen for the future. No doubt the cheap fares across the Atlantic and on the railways of the Dominion have made a great deal of difference to the movement from Europe; but it is worthy of special note that farmers with stock, money and implements have crossed the border from the United States in greater numbers this year than for many years past. This movement, of course, takes no account of the thousands of former Canadians who have returned to this country after having spent six months or more in the neighboring republic.

When Hon. Robert Forke has formulated his plans to speed up the immigration movement it ought to be reasonable to expect an annual influx of at least 200,000 or more. The Minister does not believe in coddling the newcomer; but he contends quite rightly that he should have a reasonable chance of making his way under fair conditions. Nobody will cavil at this policy or object to anybody being admitted to the country who is healthy in mind and body and willing to work hard. Our people should have no difficulty in turning them into good Canadians.

PENNY POSTAGE PAYS

STATISTICS ISSUED BY THE POST OFFICE Department at Ottawa show that the November turnover will be something like a quarter of a million dollars more than it was in that month of last year.

This is interesting information because it is only a month or so ago since critics were trying to convince the Canadian people that it was foolish of the King Government to attempt to take any credit for restoring penny postage, as it would mean little or no relief to the taxpayer and a drop in revenue. They were not concerned about the contradictory nature of their criticism of this feature of the famous Robb budget. It was a part of the policy of the Liberals and had to be attacked.

What was expected has developed. More letters have gone through the mails because the King

Government lopped off one-third of the price of carrying them. One cent by itself is a small sum; but when it is multiplied by a few millions it looks quite different.

BE BRIEF AND BUSINESS-LIKE

IT WILL BE 1927 BEFORE BRITISH Columbia's lawmakers get down to the business of the third session of the present Parliament; in the meantime, however, the public will hope that the private members will have got far enough in the preparation of their annual speeches to permit of careful revision and reasonable abbreviation.

Everybody realizes that the representatives of the various constituencies feel obliged—to show they are on the job, as it were—to deal with everything mentioned in the Speech from the Throne, everything they think should have been included, and everything that had no earthly chance of getting in. Let it be admitted that to cover all this ground requires a good deal of study; but it also will have to be admitted that much of it is wasted effort.

It would be better if these members concentrated upon the subject most vital to their constituencies and drove it home with simple brevity than to try to cover too much ground. The short-speech is usually the most effective speech. Nobody is impressed by three-hour deliveries.

FAIRS DO PAY

SOME NEWSPAPERS ARE ARGUING that because the British Empire Exhibition at Wembley and the Sesqui-centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia were financial failures from a turn-stile standpoint they served little or no good purpose.

This is an entirely erroneous idea. If exhibitions of this sort do nothing else, their value as educational factors is incalculable. The great fair at Wembley brought the peoples of the British Empire together and taught them things which could not have been learned so well in any other way. Every Dominion benefited. Great Britain benefited. The Empire as a whole benefited. It already has paid in this respect and similar profits will accrue.

Fairs which show what the people are doing on the farms and in the factories always bear fruit. They bring about a better understanding of mutual problems and hasten their solution. All this should be taken into account when the balance is struck.

DISARMAMENT

EVERYBODY WILL AGREE THAT IT is much better for the League of Nations to "make haste slowly" with its disarmament scheme and eventually succeed than to rush into plans which might easily end in failure.

Material disarmament after all is a secondary consideration in the world's progress towards permanent peace. It is important, however, as a psychological factor, because guns and battleships and other means of destruction are visible, and a general agreement to do away with them would produce a good moral effect everywhere. At the same time, immature plans might fail miserably, and the impression thus created would be dangerous.

Mental disarmament, of course, is the important thing. It is more difficult to bring about, yet it is gradually being done. The League is available to generate influence and inspiration to that end, and everybody should help the good work along.

WHAT OTHER PAPERS SAY

MUSSOLINI FAVORS ASSASSINATION
From The Edmonton Journal

The attempts to assassinate Mussolini have prompted someone to look up and publish a number of speeches that he delivered in the days when he was a radical Socialist. At the time of the bomb outrage that occurred in a Buenos Ayres Theatre in 1910, he declared that he was prepared to admit that in normal times bombs could not form a means of Socialist action. But he went on to say that "when a government—be it imperial, republican or Bourbon—crushes you or places you outside the pale of human existence, then one must have recourse to the violence that answers violence, even if it demands some innocent victims." Much other material along the same line is furnished that reads strangely in the light of the great change that the intervening years have brought in Mussolini's position.

Queer Quirks of Nature

By AUSTIN H. CLARK

After the leaves have fallen in the Autumn you will find securely fastened to the twigs of various trees and bushes large, dull, coppery cocoons. Before the leaves fall you do not notice these as the caterpillars in concealing themselves draw down upon themselves several of the leaves by which they are concealed to a large extent.

If you cut one of these cocoons across you find within it loose, lustrous silk and in the centre a tough thin capsule smoothly polished on the inner side within which lies the chrysalis.

These cocoons vary much in size. I have raised a perfect, though small, moth from one which was only an inch and three-quarters long. But often they are more than four inches long and much inflated. These large cocoons are most common near the ground.

In the Winter great numbers of cocoons are destroyed by woodpeckers which drill a hole in them and through the hole eat out the contents of the pupa. These are the cocoons of our largest moth, known as the cecropia. They are very common almost everywhere and you can gather them in numbers once you learn to find them.

About sixty years ago efforts were made to make use of these cocoons as a source of silk. While a fine silk can be obtained from them the expense of producing it is very high and the caterpillars are difficult to raise.

Do You Mean What You Say?



"CLEAR THE DECKS"

Even the landlubber recognizes, in the call, "clear the decks," that it means "prepare for action." The expression comes from the sea, where the decks are always cleared of every possible encumbrance before a ship goes into action. The very appropriateness of the expression has caused it to be adopted by landmen everywhere.

Canadian Questions and Answers

PRE-CAMBRIAN FORMATION

Q.—Where and what is the value of the pre-Cambrian formation in Canada?

A.—The pre-Cambrian formation of central and northern Canada has at least 2,000,000 square miles of rich formation that makes the backbone of the continent. In this area are the vast nickel-copper deposits of Sudbury, the silver of Cobalt, and the gold of Porcupine and Kirkland Lake. Nowhere else in the world outside of Siberia is there such an unexplored area of mineral territory.



Victoria, Dec. 12.—5 a.m.—The barometer remains abnormally high on the Northern Coast and clear, cold weather continues over this Province. Zero temperatures prevail in the prairies.

Reports

Victoria—Barometer, 30.13; temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 31; wind, 24 miles N.E.; weather, clear.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 20; wind, 4 miles N.E.; weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.23; temperature, maximum yesterday, 14; minimum, 4; wind, 4 miles W.; weather, clear.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, maximum yesterday, 33; minimum, 29; wind, 4 miles N.E.; weather, clear.

Estevan Point—Barometer, 30.01; temperature, maximum yesterday, 28; minimum, 22; wind, 4 miles N.E.; weather, clear.

Zarcho—Barometer, 30.05; temperature, maximum yesterday, 28; minimum, 21; wind, 24 miles E.; weather, clear.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 29.93; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 26; wind, 10 miles E.; snow, 1.5; weather, clear.

Seattle—Barometer, 30.02; temperature, maximum yesterday, 33; minimum, 24; wind, 4 miles S.; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.90; temperature, maximum yesterday, 53; minimum, 45; wind, 4 miles W.; weather, clear.

Regina—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 13 below; minimum, 34 below; snow, 1 inch.

Moose Jaw—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 13 below; minimum, 25 below; snow, 1.

Temperature Max. Min.
Victoria 34 31
Vancouver 34 20
Kamloops 14 4
Prince Rupert 33 29
Estevan Point 28 22
Zarcho 28 21
Portland, Ore. 42 26
Seattle 33 24
San Francisco 53 45
Regina 13 34
Moose Jaw 13 25

Other People's Views

Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and clearly written. The Editor has the right to refuse to publish any letter which is abusive, libelous, or contains any matter which is not in the public interest. The Editor is not responsible for the return of letters which are not published.

RAILWAY MEN'S WAGES

To the Editor.—I note in a letter by Mr. J. White, published in The Times that he denies that any of the conductors get \$10 or \$12 per day. I note, however, that he admits the engine men (or some of them) get \$10 or \$12 per day. I am glad Mr. White admits this, as I have never before been able to get a brotherhood man to make this statement through the press.

In any public correspondence there have always been making any such wages. Perhaps Mr. White, to settle the controversy, will kindly publish the average monthly wage, together with the hours worked, paid on our National Railways.

Mr. White asks how Mr. Brown would like to eat out of a can and get up at all hours and go to work? I have been a railroad man on the south shore of Lake Superior (no Winter resort), and also worked as a marine engineer, and never drew more than \$4 per day. In railroading we used hand brakes, and did most of our engine repairs on a side track. I saw no hardships in railroading to white about.

As regards responsibility, thousands of engine men who are responsible for the handling of thousands of passengers at far greater speed than we can do, and their wages are not one-half as much as paid on this continent, as the European governments will not allow trusts and combines to bleed the public.

Mr. White is skeptical about people that did not take advantage of the conditions. The thousands who gave up good jobs and went overseas for \$1.25 per day, did not take advantage

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of war conditions. They dropped the dollar business and sought to make the world a better place for all. Upon their return they find themselves taxed almost beyond endurance by excessive freight and express rates. Every bit of produce they ship or any goods they use from outside, must pay tribute to an American trust. Bread is twice the price in Canada, where we grow the wheat, than it is in Europe. Beef starts at the ranch at 6c. per pound, pork at the ranch is 10c. per pound. What do we pay for it?

Coal mined practically under our feet is \$12 or \$14 per ton. High freight rates are mostly responsible for the above condition. These rates have risen fifty-five per cent since the McAdoo award, and the public are paying the bill. Perhaps Mr. White will tell us why we should not "kick."

F. J. BROWN.
Victoria, Dec. 12, 1926.

SIXTY-SEVEN DEATHS WHEN VESSEL SANK

Twenty-nine Men Saved When Transport Went Down Off Coast of Chile

Buenos Ayres, Dec. 12.—Sixty-seven men of the crew of the Chilean transport Aruco were drowned today when the vessel sank at Lota, Chile, during a violent storm, says a dispatch from Santiago to La Nación.

There were ninety-six men aboard the ship when it sank, of whom twenty-nine were saved.

Eight bodies have been recovered.

MINNESOTA GROUP WANTS U.S. DUTY ON CANADIAN CREAM

Washington, Dec. 12 (Canadian Press)—Members of the Minnesota congressional delegation called on Chairman Green of the House ways and means committee and urged him to support legislation to increase the tariff duties on cream and other farm products. They urged legislation this session.

Chairman Green pointed out to them the impracticability of any tariff action in Congress this Winter and advised them to seek relief through the tariff commission and the flexible tariff. As a result they will urge the commission to make a report to the President in favor of increased agricultural duties, and especially an increase in the rate on cream. Such an increase would be aimed at imports of cream from Canada.

Big Tax Refunds Soon in the U.S.

Washington, Dec. 12.—President Coolidge is asking Congress for a supplemental appropriation of \$175,000,000 to be used for refunding taxes collected illegally by the Internal Revenue Bureau.

Bore (listening to gramophone record): "A really good one, that. What is it?"
Girl: "Show Me the Way to Home." I hoped that it would appeal to you."

THYROXIN MADE BY SYNTHETIC PROCESS

Discovery by Two Medical Research Leaders in Britain Is Announced

London, Dec. 12.—The London Sunday Observer announced the discovery of synthetic thyroxin by President R. Harrington of University College Hospital, London, co-operating with Professor George Brager of Edinburgh.

They took as their basis the researchers of Dr. Edward C. Kendall of Rochester, Minn., who in 1917 isolated thyroxin from thyroid, of which it is an active principal.

It is understood the new thyroxin is obtained from coal tar products and iodine, and that the test on human beings has proved of equal efficacy with thyroxin obtained from the gland.

Extract of thyroid is used extensively in the treatment of myxedema (atrophy of the gland) cretinism, a disease characterized by goitre, non-development and physical and mental deterioration and other similar conditions. The artificial preparation of thyroxin, the active principle of the thyroid gland, will permit of more extensive use of this remedial agent.

Five-day Week For Auto Workers

London, Dec. 12.—The London Evening News says Henry Ford has introduced the five-day week into the Ford Motor Company's work at Manchester. Steps are being taken, it adds, to insure that the "willing workers" will be enabled under the new condition to earn as much as he did in five and a half days.

LEO STRAUS DIED

Chicago, Dec. 12.—Leo Straus, sixty-nine years, wholesale liquor dealer and a cousin of S. W. Straus, investment banker, died suddenly here Saturday night in the Palmer House, as he was about to attend a banquet of the Indiana Society of Chicago. Mr. Straus, his son, is vice-president of the S. W. Straus & Co. Mr. Straus was born at Leominster, Ind. A widow and a daughter survived him.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, December 13, 1901
The Point Ellice Bridge question was brought before a meeting of the taxpayers at the City Hall yesterday.
Word was received in Victoria to-day that gold had been discovered in some of the small rivers near Quenel, B.C.
According to officials of the Dunsmuir company in this city, the Alexandria mines have been closed down permanently.

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Sliced Yorkshire Ham, per lb. 47¢
Sliced Standard Bacon, per lb. 45¢
Sliced Unsmoked Bacon, per lb. 42¢
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Libby's Sauerkraut, per lb. 11¢
Spencer's Wieners, per lb. 28¢
Libby's Minicream, per lb. 25¢
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Sliced Baked Ham, per lb. 65¢
Sliced Jellied Lamb's Tongue, per lb. 60¢

MEATS—AS CUT IN CASE
Pork Steaks, per lb. 26¢
Fresh Pork Kidney, per lb. 20¢
Mince Steak, Oxford Sausage, per lb. 12¢
Lean Boneless Steak, Beef, 2 lbs. for 24¢
Round Steak, per lb. 18¢ and 15¢
Shoulder Steak, per lb. 13¢
Veal Steaks, per lb. 22¢
Blade Bone Roasts, per lb. 12¢
Cross Rib Roasts, per lb. 14¢
Fresh Large Beef Hearts, each 25¢
Fresh Lamb's Hearts, per lb. 10¢
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Fresh Pork Tenderloin, per lb. 55¢
Fresh Beef Tenderloin, per lb. 65¢
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Flank Steaks, per lb. 20¢
Legs Lamb, per lb. 39¢

Outstanding Values in Our Groceteria Department For Tuesday, Cash and Carry

Wild Rose Pastry Flour, 10s, per sk. 47¢
Orange or Lemon Peel, per lb. 20¢
Sunmaid Seeded Raisins, 15-oz. pkg., 2 pkgs. for 29¢
1 lb. Spencer's Breakfast Blend Tea both for \$1.00
1 pkg. Market Day Raisins, 4 lbs.
Choice Cleaned Currants, per lb. 12¢
Keller's Little Chip or Dundee Marmalade, 4s, tin 72¢
Westfield Corned Beef, per tin 20¢
Empress Strawberry Jam, 2s, per tin 30¢
St. Charles or Carnation Milks, talls, 3 tins for 31¢
Sunlight Soap, large bars, 2 for 11¢
Quaker Peas, per tin 12¢
Quaker Pork and Beans, small, 2 tins for 15¢
Crow Brand Corn Syrup, 2s, per tin 15¢
Van Camp's Assorted Soups, 2 tins for 23¢
Choice Australian Sultanas, per lb. 17¢
Malkin's Seedless Raisins, 15-oz. pkg., 2 pkgs. for 29¢
4 bars White Swan Soap both for 25¢
1 tablet Lux Toilet Soap
Lifebuoy Soap, 4 bars, for 25¢
1 lb. Spencer's British Prize Coffee both for 70¢
1 tin Fry's Cocoa, 3s
1 lb. Shelled Almonds all for 75¢
1 lb. Shelled Walnuts, pieces, white
1 lb. Dates
1 lb. Mixed Peel
1 tin Malt, 3 lbs. all for 79¢
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1 lb. pkg. P.K. Hops
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MANITOBA GAINS IN ITS FIGHT TO CHECK TUBERCULOSIS

Winnipeg, Dec. 12.—The death rate from tuberculosis in Manitoba is lower than in any other part of the world, said Dr. D. A. Stewart, medical superintendent of the Manitoba Sanatorium at Ninette, in an address here.

Medical science has cut deaths from tuberculosis in half in fifteen years, he said. There were to-day 400 persons well and at work in the Province with no thought of illness hovering over them, who would have died from tuberculosis in 1925 if the death rate had been the same as fifteen years ago.

"One of the best things about the campaign against tuberculosis is that it is one of the best kinds of campaigns for general health. It has likely accomplished most in its conquest of tuberculosis indirectly to its improvement in general health conditions," Dr. Stewart stated.

Legality of Valentino Will to be Tested

Hollywood, Dec. 12.—"The person who attempts in any way to break his will shall forfeit his share in the estate."

The legality of this clause will be determined by California courts if the will of Rudolph Valentino is contested.

Shortly after the will was made public, Valentino's brother, Alberto Guglielmi, announced that he would fight the provision leaving one-third of the three-quarter million-dollar estate to Mrs. Teresa Werner, aunt of Valentino's second wife, Natacha Rambova.

WANTS GUGLIELMI
This statement of Guglielmi's brought Mrs. Werner here from Italy a few days ago. Besides Mrs. Werner, Valentino's brother and sister, Alberto and Maria Guglielmi, are the others named to share equally in the estate.

"I must wait for Mr. Guglielmi to take some action," said Mrs. Werner in an exclusive interview. "And while he did a lot of talking at first, I don't believe he is really going to take any steps to break the will. If he does, he will have to do so within the next two months, according to the law."

"Left to himself, I think that Mr. Guglielmi would be perfectly satisfied to let the will stand as it is. But I believe he is being influenced by others. Alberto should realize that Rudolph really wanted me to share in the estate."

"I think Rudolph named me as one of his heirs because I was closer to him than any other person except his



MRS. TERESA WERNER

brother and sister. When he first married Mrs. Rambova and was charged with bigamy, I went to New York to stay with them. I lived with them for three years and Rudolph and I became close friends. He looked upon me almost as a mother. And he always wrote to me when we were apart.

"I also believe that Rudolph wanted a part of his money to remain in this country where he earned it."

Already well into her fifties, Mrs. Werner has plenty to keep her in comfort the rest of her days, but she is determined to protect her rights. She feels kindly toward Rudolph's brother and sister.

Hollywood, always overrun with rumor, says that Pola Negri, reported fiancée of the late actor, is backing Guglielmi. The Polish star declared with considerable emphasis:

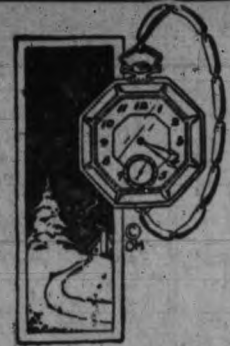
"Absolutely not! Mr. Guglielmi and I are very good friends, but he never has taken me into his confidence with regard to his affairs, nor have I ever taken him into mine. He has his own attorney who is handling everything. I am taking no interest in Mr. Guglielmi's affairs, other than a friendly one in him."

George Ullman, executor of the estate, is quietly arranging for an auction sale of Valentino's property so that the estate can be divided.

AGED MAN A BOOTLEGER

Winnipeg, Dec. 12.—Bootleggers, operating in their usual quiet, careful manner generally eluding custom-house unknown to the "Tatler" are not uncommon in these parts, but a new type of vendor of illicit liquor has now made his appearance. Police in St. Boniface, Man., pounced upon an aged man driving along the streets in a dilapidated buggy. Under the seat the officers discovered a tank containing several gallons of doubtful home brew.

The veteran admitted he had been peddling his "wares" from house to house for some time and had realized a fair income. He declared his price was far below that set by the Government liquor commission. The offender was charged.



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Regular \$8.75 set. Sale, set **\$4.45**
Regular \$9.75 set. Sale, set **\$5.95**



Communist Party In Russia is Split

Moscow, Dec. 13.—The closing ses-

sions of the enlarged executive committee of the Communist International last week were characterized by a notable blurring up of the latest lines of dissection. Leon Trotsky, Gregory Zinovieff, Leo Kameneff and

other delinquent leaders, in long speeches, attacked the dominant party and maintained their own viewpoints unchanged, an indication that recent surrender was merely tactical.

Zinovieff emphasized the danger that the Russian Communist Party might be reborn in a non-revolutionary spirit because of the growth of rich peasants and a number of bourgeois with capitalists' surroundings

and a negative spirit toward the new economic policy. The Pravda, a Communist organ, commenting on the speeches, accuses the opposition of neglecting no opportunity to drive the deepest possi-

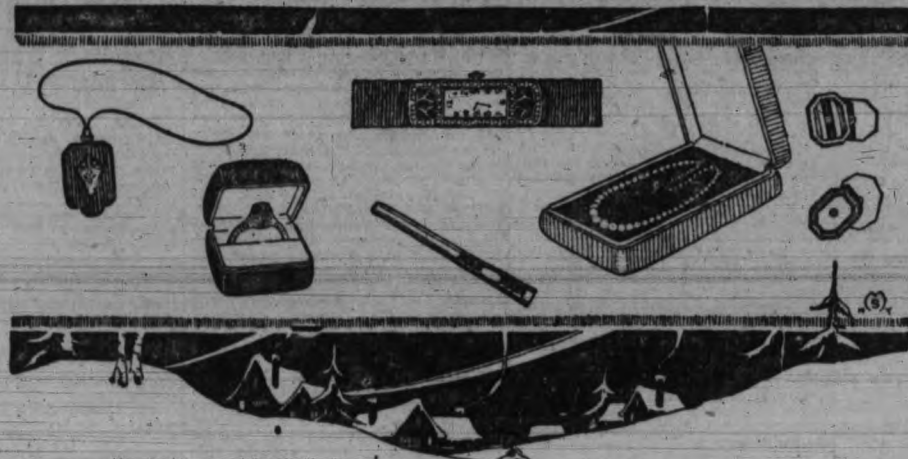
ble wedge between the Communist Party and the Communist International. If apples are to be kept any length of time they should be stored in a cool place.

MARCONI NOT ENGAGED
London, Dec. 12.—William Marconi commenting on a Rome report that he was engaged to Countess Maria died informed The London Sunday Times "I am not engaged to anybody."

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Pyrex linings, silver plated mountings, with nicely designed piercings. Regular \$5.75. Sale, each **\$2.95**

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Loose powder style; gilt. Regular \$1.00. Sale **59c**

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NOTABLE PATRONS FOR ANNUAL BALL

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Tuberculous Post of the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., is making elaborate preparations for the fifth annual ball of the Tuberculous Post of the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., which will be held on Wednesday, December 15, at the Alexandra House, under the distinguished patronage of the Lieutenant-Governor, Hon. R. Randolph Bruce, who will be accompanied by Miss Helen Mackenzie.

Many prominent citizens have promised their patronage, including the Premier, Hon. John Oliver, Mayor J. Carl Pendergast, Commander R. W. Nelles, senior naval officer; General J. M. Ross, Hon. W. C. Nichol, R. H. Foster and W. J. Bowser. The Rotary Club has also promised to patronize the event.

The ballroom will be gaily decorated for the occasion, and novel features, including spotlight effects will add lustre to the affair. Dancing will be from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., to the strains of the latest musical numbers, and an excellent supper will be served during the interval. Dress will be informal, and tickets can be obtained by telephoning 558R, 554R and 557R, or by mail to secretary, P.O. box 1145 city. Also from the Hudson's Bay Company, The Posy Shop, Automotive Supply House, Yates Street; Madam's Fifth, 1219 Douglas Street; E. A. Morris, and Levy's Tobacco and Cigar Stores, and the Britannia Post of the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., 1400 Broad Street.

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Invitations for a dance at the Royal Victoria Yacht Club to be held on January 7, have been issued by Messrs. Cyril Bester, E. Cotton, Archie Miller, Douglas Grant, and Tommy, Bob and Derry Dye.

Major C. S. Craig and Capt. McIntosh were among the Victoria officers present at the informal dance given by the 15th Brigade Canadian Artillery mess in Vancouver Friday.

Mrs. A. Lethian Russell and Miss Sheila Russell of Vancouver, who have been spending some days here, will leave on December 27 to spend the winter in the Mediterranean, making their headquarters at Algiers.

Miss Phyllis Wightman gave a tea at the home of her parents, Linden Avenue, in honor of Miss Esther O'Reilly, who is shortly leaving for her home in the East. Those invited were Misses Esther O'Reilly, Isa Roberts, Beth Reid, Nell Mahner, Isabel Ringhaug, Nell Whitehead, Ethel Ponsford, Willie Blangeroort, Gwen Pontiff, Catherine Devereaux, Grace Oliver and Margaret Redford.

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Pongee Handkerchiefs With Initials

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Ideal gifts for men who drive cars. Made from soft tan cape and horsehide and warmly lined; finished with strap at wrist; sizes 8 to 10½. Prices, per pair **\$4.95, \$5.50 and \$6.00**
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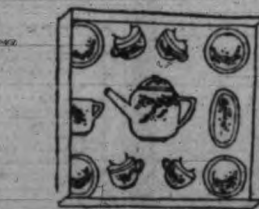
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15-inch Squeaking Teddy Bears, made from good quality light brown plush; movable head, arms and legs. Priced **\$1.00**
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Large boxes containing 20 embossed letter blocks with numerals, animals and pictures. Price **75¢**
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In batik and mottled effects; gorgeous colorings; hemmed ends. Prices **\$3.50 and \$3.75**

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In all over printed designs with picot edge. Pastel shades. Priced at **\$3.95**
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Fancy Turkish Towels 69c Each

Turkish Towels are always acceptable gifts to any housewife. These are shown in jacquard weaves with colored ends in rose, blue, helio and gold. Each towel neatly boxed. Price, each **69¢**
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100 Pairs Hemstitched Linen Pillow Cases at \$3.98 a Pair

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Special Reduced Prices on Direct Shipment from France of Pate-de-Foie-Gras. Packed by Edouard Artzner of Strasbourg.

Pate-de-Foie-Gras—
No. 15 terrine **85¢**
No. 13 terrine **\$1.25**
No. 10 terrine **\$2.50**
No. 8 terrine **\$3.25**

New Direct Shipment of French Crystallized Fruits, all strictly New Season's Goods.

Crystallized Cherries, 1-lb. wooden box **\$1.25**
Crystallized Cherries, ½-lb. wooden box **65¢**
Glaze Assorted Fruits, 1-lb. wooden box **\$1.25**
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Glaze Apricots, large fruit, per dozen **\$1.50**
Clarified Brandy Imported Almond Paste, per lb. **90¢**
White Dove Almond Paste, per lb. at **50¢**
Burton's Ground Almonds, in bulk, per lb. **\$1.00**
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We are this morning offering 100 Sacks of Good-grade Mainland Potatoes, guaranteed as to soundness and quality. Special while they last, per 100-lb. sack **\$1.47**

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Tuesday's Fresh Meat Specials

Pot Roast, 8 lbs. for **\$1.00**
Plate Beef, 10 lbs. for **\$1.00**
Corned Brisket, 10 lbs. for **\$1.00**
Shoulder Steak, 8 lbs. for **\$1.00**
Shoulder Lamb Chops, per lb. **35¢**
Rib Lamb Chops, per lb. **40¢**
Loin Lamb Chops, per lb. **45¢**
Rump Steak, per lb. **27¢**
Veal Steak, per lb. **30¢**
Lamb Stew, per lb. **30¢**
Pork Chops, per lb. **25¢**
Porterhouse Roast, per lb. **25¢**
Sirloin Tip, per lb. **25¢**
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For those of your friends who appreciate good things to wear you could not do better than choose some dainty garment in silk. We have a splendid assortment to choose from at reasonable prices. Each purchase packed in special gift box.

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Mitts

All-wool or silk and wool. Prices **55¢ to \$1.00**

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In all wool or silk and wool. Prices **50¢ to \$1.00**

Shetland Wool Head Shawls

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Hoods and Bonnets

In wool, silk poplin, lambwool and crepe de Chine. Prices **\$1.00 to \$2.95**

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In a large variety of pretty designs; all wool or silk and wool. Prices **\$2.95 to \$12.50**

Dainty Dresses

In finest quality lawn, voile and muslin. Prices, **95¢ to \$2.75**

Slips to match dresses

Prices, **95¢ to \$1.50**

Spun Silk Rompers

Dainty garments embroidered or smoked, white and pastel shades. Prices, **\$2.95 and \$3.25**
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Our Toilettes Section offers a very wide choice of Christmas gifts, both delightful and useful. Here are gift toiletries of national fame any of which will prove acceptable gifts. Telephone calls receive special attention. Cuter Gift Items in great demand.

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Among the many features that will enhance the enjoyment of those attending the T. B. Veterans' Ball at the Alexander Hall, Wednesday, will be the appearance of the dainty dancer, who will present a dainty number with appropriate stage settings which it is claimed will create a sensation. Miss Lee who made her debut a few months ago has since been in great demand but has had to cancel many offered engagements owing to the fact that she has been taking a course of instruction in Seattle under one of the greatest dancing masters in the United States. The ball promises to be one of the most successful the T. B. veterans have ever staged. The sale of tickets points to a good company of dancers and appreciation is expressed by the members of the ex-soldiers' organization at the generous support that has been accorded. New quarters were recently opened by the association with the object of providing a comfortable down-town home for the members. As the only revenue is from membership dues, the ball is being staged to help raise a fund to provide furniture for the new quarters.

For driving on the boulevard on Government Street, J. McBride was fined \$5 in the City Police Court, today, and F. Breeze, for failing to produce a driver's license, was fined a similar amount.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Ward Five Victoria Liberal Association will hold its annual meeting at Liberal headquarters to-night at 8 o'clock. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

Automobile E.C. No. 43,774, taken from inside the premises of the Pacific Auto Wrecking Company last Friday night, was found by police at the corner of Regina and Douglas Streets yesterday. The wrecking machine have not yet been apprehended.

In a communication to Mayor Pen-dray to-day, E. Willis, chairman of the publicity committee of the Cal-gary Board of Trade expresses in-terest in Victoria's. Winter season publicity and extends the heartiest co-operation of that group in fur-therance of the work.

Ah Sam, charged with having had opium in his possession, and who was remanded last week for hearing to-day in the City Police Court be-fore Magistrate Jay, did not appear when the clerk called his name this morning. His bail of \$200 was es-timated and an order issued for a warrant.

The Provincial Executive of the Liberal Association will hold its an-nual meeting to-day, Wednesday, De-cember 15, at the Liberal Rooms, corner of Broughton and Government Streets, according to an announce-ment made here this morning. The executive will be in session all Wednesday.

The usual end of the term activity prevails at Victoria Lodge No. 1, I.O.O.F., and no less than five can-didates are in waiting for the second degree to-night. A large attendance of members is expected and sojour-ning brothers and members of local lodges are invited to attend.

The Victoria Burns Club will hold its regular monthly meeting on Tues-day evening, December 14, at 8 o'clock in the Chamber of Commerce Hall. An address will be given by Capt. A. M. Boyd, the subject being "Tom Hood, Poet and Punster." A musical programme will follow.

At the First Baptist Church on Friday evening, Handel's "Messiah" will be given by a choir of eighty voices. The soloists will be: Mrs. Jesse Longfield, contralto; Mrs. Mary McCoy Jameson, soprano; F. L. Tup-man, tenor and Handley Wells, bass.

Chow Sing Ling, struck down by an automobile driven by Eric Mawle on Friday evening at the intersection of Government Street and Johnson Street, and who succumbed while on the op-erating table, died from accidental causes, a coroner's jury decided this morning. The inquest was held at the Thomson Funeral Home, Mawle, who was sitting this year, Aldermen W. H. Cullin and J. A. Shanks close their work at the end of this year.

Louis Schmeltz, who was knocked down by an automobile Saturday, was not seriously injured, according to a statement from his parents. Al-though an automobile ran over his leg and then stopped and backed over it a second time, the boy was free from fracture or sprain, and is only suffering a little from stiffness of muscles.

J. J. Maloney, a former cleric of the Roman Catholic Church, who holds the title of "the silver-tongued orator of Ontario," will speak at the Re-formed Episcopal Church, Humboldt Street, on Wednesday evening at 8.15 on the subject, "The Peace the World Cannot Give." This was the subject on which Mr. Maloney spoke in Ontario, thereby winning his oratorical laurels.

Overnights at Tiajuana

First race—Five furlongs:
Apres Moi 96
Lauran 101
Flying Princess 104
Hollygirl 106
Furlough Bill 109
Shaasta Rapids 109
Doug. H. Johnson 109
Bellewood 109
Maurice Mulcahy 114

Second race—Five and a half furlongs:
Bronco Girl 101
Valley Joe 104
Seclusion 106
Frank Sumpter 107
Labelle 109
Ike Harvey 109
Walter Deb 109
Vanderburg 112

Third race—Four and one-half furlongs:
Handsome Star 108
Tomorrow 108
Prisoner 111
"Golden Shore" 111
"Rosedale" entry.

Simon Kenton 115
Shaasta Grane 118
Normie 115
John Shot 115
Tin Hat 118

Fourth race—Six furlongs:
Cutiecan 95
Marguerite 102
Scotsman 105
Pepsey Shot 105
Buddy Clark 106
Fiery Rose 110
Shaasta Grand 115

Fifth race—Five and one-half furlongs:
Duty Boy 102
Boki 104
Kilauea 107
Stamp 107
Senator Crow 107
Dr. Corbett 107
Hard Dealer 107
Baleful 107

Sixth race—One mile:
Mushon 99
Royal Princess 102
Hyperion 102
Mabel Krupp 102
Golden Sweep 104
Letter Six 105
High Prince 107

Seventh race—One mile:
Couer Dellon 96
Pegasus 94
Crossbow 97
Deep Throat 102
Cup Bearer 103
The World 103
Sweep Stakes 103
Dr. Clark 104
Couple Cup—old Alcott entry.

Eighth race—One mile:
Miss Success 96
Wood Lady 100
Ninon 103
Deep Hite 102
Dumb-bell 104
Mart Bunch 105
Zealot 105
Ole Eight 105
London Smoke 105
Dover 105
Arravan 105
Malvers 105

Weather clear; track muddy.

Steamer Nootka Making Fast Time

Yesterday morning the new C.P.R. freight steamer Nootka, bound from the east coast to Victoria, passed Crooked Island, a member of the British West Indies group, according to the wireless message received to-day by Capt. A. W. H. who is bringing the ship to this port via the Panama Canal. Company officials stated this morning that this is a clear indication that the ship is making fast time and should arrive here around the middle of January.

OLD COUNCIL HAS THREE SESSIONS BEFORE ITS CLOSE

Committees For 1927 Will Be Much the Same, it is Thought

Industrial Committee to be Reinforced For Year of Hard Work

The 1926 City Council will meet at 8 o'clock to-night in one of three gatherings before the changes brought about by the election will take effect, and the 1927 panel be formed. The council will meet on December 20 and December 27, in addition, before closing its work for the year.

LIGHT AGENDA
Business before the Council this evening will be light. Alderman William Marchant will probably take the chair, in the absence of Mayor J. C. Pendray, who is in Seattle rounding out plans in connection with the programme of laying Victoria industrial facilities before all interests who have the capital and the desire to investigate the establishment of active plants here.

The 1927 City Council will take office early in the new year, when the first formal meeting called for January 3. Aldermen-elect James Adam and H. O. Litchfield will be the only members of the 1927 council sitting this year. Aldermen W. H. Cullin and J. A. Shanks close their work at the end of this year.

OLD LEADERS
In "official" talk of committee heads for 1927 Alderman P. B. Brown who headed the polls this year, and who is completing two years' work on the council as 1926 chairman of the finance committee, is mentioned as continuing in that important post.

The 1927 industrial committee is to be strengthened, and is expected to continue the chairmanship of Alderman W. H. Holmes. Next year the industrial committee will be equal to the finance committee in importance, as much active development is expected to be the result of plans now being laid by the city as a result of its preliminary industrial surveys.

Alderman E. S. Woodward, who headed the public works committee this year, and who has served in turn on every committee at the City Hall is expected to continue in that position.

STRONGER INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEE
With the exception of the strengthening of the industrial committee, and replacing the two members who will be dropped from the 1926 grouping, little change will take place in committee line-ups next year, it is thought.

The placing of committees is at-tended to by the Mayor, who is ex-pected to announce his new arrange-ments shortly after the 1927 council takes office. So far nothing officially has been said on this subject.

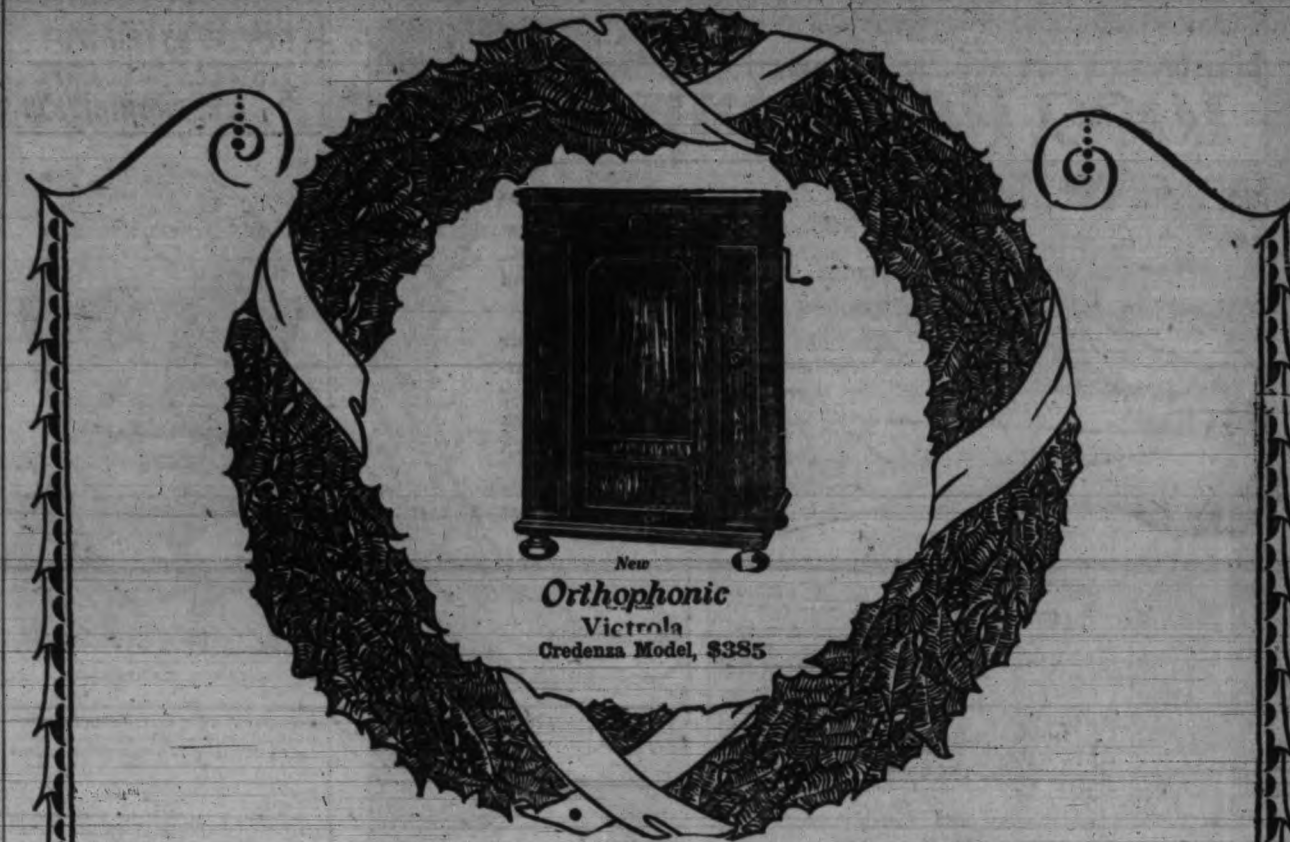
OBITUARY

On Sunday evening at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, there passed away Edith Mary, beloved wife of Charles Alfred Bramble. She leaves to mourn loss, her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Wynndham Mansell, and one son, Lionel, of the United States. The remains are resting at the Thomson Funeral Home, 1625 Quadra Street, where private service will take place Wednesday morning at 10.30 o'clock, when the Rev. A. M. de la Nunn will officiate after which the remains will be laid to rest in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

There passed away on Sunday afternoon at the Royal Jubilee Hos-pital, Mrs. Jane Nell, aged seventy-seven years, of 2517 Vancouver Street, widow of the late John Nell. The late Mrs. Nell was born in England and had resided in Victoria for the past forty years. She is mourned by a brother, John Stanley in New West-minster, and a niece, Mrs. H. H. Evans, and nephew, J. J. Randolph of Victoria, and a nephew, A. Randolph of Vancouver. The funeral will take place on Wednesday afternoon from McCall Brothers' funeral home, cor-ner of Johnson and Vancouver Streets, at 2.30 o'clock. Rev. Arthur de E. Owen will conduct the service, after which interment will be made at Ross Bay Cemetery.

The funeral of the late John Braden, pioneer resident of this city, was held on Saturday afternoon from McCall Bros' Funeral Home. A large number of friends attended the service, which was conducted by Rev. J. C. Goodfellow. The hymns, "Rest Be The Tie That Binds" and "Abide With Me" were sung, also "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" was sung as a solo by Mrs. O. Shingles. The casket was banked with many beautiful floral tributes. The service at the graveside was taken by the members of the Royal B.C. Excep-tory No. 538, the late Mr. Braden being a member of this order for the last thirty years. Interment was made in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery, with the following friends as pallbearers: Sir Knights A. Mc-Kenzie, J. Wallace, W. Hoey, F. V. Hobbs, D. McPherson and F. Green-sides.

Funeral services will be held at the B.C. Funeral Chapel to-morrow at 2 o'clock over the remains of the late Charles P. Le Lievre, who died while fishing at Maple Bay on Thursday. The late Mr. Le Lievre



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EX-MAYOR AND EX-JUSTICES FACE LIQUOR CHARGES

Cleveland, Dec. 13.—Forty men, including two former justices and a former mayor of Newburg Heights, are named in four conspiracy indictments returned by the federal grand jury here in connection with the Government investigations into administration of dry raiding justice in Cuyahoga County.

One indictment names thirty-nine persons, including former justices, dry raiders and alleged bootleggers, and another secret true bill names six persons whose identity has not been revealed. The investigation is

directed against alleged bribery and corruption in justice courts.

Chief among those named in the blanket indictment are Charles W. Zimmerman, former Newburg Heights mayor; Herman Goltman, former Parma justice, and C. O. Peters, former justice in Independence. About twenty-five overt acts are charged to Goltman alone in this bill. Another indictment against Zimmerman contains six counts. Three occasions are cited when he is alleged to have received bribes for "fixing liquor cases." The blanket indictment also names seventeen victims of alleged "fixing" operations. These persons were made defendants, but are included to explain operations of those participating in the alleged conspiracy. More indictments in the inquiry are expected, federal authorities indicated.

Sydney—"Real beauty is rare. Though I know hundreds of women there are only two I consider beautiful." Sylvia—"Who is the other?"

SUICIDE IN BELLINGHAM

Bellingham, Wash., Dec. 13.—R. A. Bjorkblad, thirty, who committed

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Metchosin

Metchosin, Dec. 13.—The annual meeting of the Metchosin Farmers' Institute will be held in the Metchosin Hall on Thursday, at 8 p.m., when reports of the year's work will be presented and election of officers for the incoming year take place. Following the meeting a social and dance will be given. Musical items have

been arranged and also arrangements for dance music. Refreshments will be served and a cordial invitation is issued by the directors of the association to all who are interested in community welfare to be present.

Arrangements are also being made by the directors to hold a demonstration in the cutting up of bacon and block hogs on one of the farms in the district, by Arthur Morton, Dominion Government Sheep and Swine Commissioner. The tentative

date set for December 18, but confirmation of this date will be announced at the annual meeting.

He and she had just finished a round of golf.

"What do you think of my golf?" asked she.

"I haven't seen you play yet," said he.

"Why, I have just played eighteen holes with you!"

"Oh! Was that golf?"

COMPLETES LENGTHY TRAVELS IN EUROPE FOR PROHIBITION



WILLIAM E. JOHNSON

New York, Dec. 13.—A European prohibition movement, dormant at the present, has a bright future, according to William E. (Pussyfoot) Johnson who has just returned here from a five-month campaign trip in Europe.

He found prohibition progress in England, France and Greece to be slow, he said.

"Those countries have no time to think about prohibition, as they are confronted with other great national issues," he said. "They'll soon be able to think about it, and then they'll come around all right."

Mr. Johnson regarded New York's four-to-one wet vote in the recent referendum and the wet majorities in other states as really a victory for the dry cause. They would have reactions, he thought.

"We still have Congress with us," he asserted. "They have 311 votes of the 435 in the House of Representatives and the Senate is overwhelmingly with us."

Three Ore Zones Are Opened up on Extenate Mine

Stewart, B.C. (By Mail).—Wm. Younk, superintendent of the Extenate property, reports that progress is being made in carrying out the programme of development and equipment laid out by the company directors. The Portland Canal News says: Fifteen thousand feet of lumber have already been delivered at the camp site, and the buildings are fast assuming form. These consist of a bunkhouse, 18 by 24 feet, two full stories in height; cook house, 15 by 18 feet; office, general store house, assay office, blacksmith and machine shop, stable and compressor house. The camp is only 1,800 feet from the Big Missouri trail, with which it is connected by a good trail built on a wagon road grade, and the weather has been ideal for taking in supplies. Work is also well under way on the No. 1 tunnel, which will be a drift tunnel, following the vein to get under a big surface showing at a depth on the dip of some 400 feet. This tunnel will also open up three cross veins which have been exposed by surface work, and will have 110 feet of depth on the first of these. It is expected, as is usual in such circumstances, that zones of ore enrichment will be encountered as these intersections are approached, and that a considerable tonnage of shipping ore will be mined in the course of development work. The mining will be carried on by hand until some time next month when it is the intention to install machine drills which will greatly speed up the work.

With the completion of the present plans on No. 1 tunnel, No. 2 tunnel will be started. This will also be a drift, 2,000 feet in length, and will take, it is estimated, ten months to complete. From indications on the surface it will open up important ore bodies which will not be touched by the No. 1 tunnel, and will also give a depth on the vein of 700 feet. The topography of the ground is such that 1,000 feet additional depth can be gained by tunnelling without going off the Extenate ground.

The Extenate group consists of ten full claims in a solid block and lies in the heart of the Salmon Valley basin, being between the Sebakwe (which it adjoins), B. C. Silver and Premier on the south and Big Missouri, Silver Crest and Silver Tip on the north all properties that have passed the prospect stage.

Under the direction of Howard Cameron three distinct ore zones have been opened up on the property by means of surface cuts and stripping, upwards of 10,000 being expended in this preliminary exploration. This enables the company to launch its programme of permanent development with full knowledge of what they may expect to find underground.

The Extenate is being equipped with a telephone service to Stewart, connection being made with the Big Missouri line.

J. P. Crozer Died In Pennsylvania

Chester, Pa., Dec. 13.—John P. Crozer, retired, multi-millionaire and philanthropist of Upland, Pa., dropped dead of heart failure at his home here last night. He had just returned from a hunting trip in Virginia. He was born sixty-nine years ago and reared in Upland, a town founded by his grandfather.

The total capital invested in the sugar industry of the Philippine Islands is approximately \$144,000,000, the Philippine Sugar Association estimates.

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—Carpets, Second Floor

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"THE BLONDE SAINT," WITH DORIS KENYON AND LEWIS STONE, CAPITOL FEATURE

Stephen F. Whitman's Famous Novel, "The Isle of Life" Adapted to Silver Sheet, With All Its Color and Absorbing Story Interest

Stephen F. Whitman's "The Isle of Life" makes a wonderful moving picture.

First National filmed it under the title of "The Blonde Saint," and with Doris Kenyon and Lewis Stone as stars, are presenting it at the Capitol Theatre.

Doris Kenyon and Lewis Stone, always finished performers, give the most inspired characterization of their respective careers.

Stone, ordinarily the suave sophisticated of cosmopolitan surroundings, has donned the simple garb of a Sicilian fisherman and given one of the most human performances of his life. He plays the roll of a novelist sojourning in the little Sicilian village where he meets the regal looking girl whose puritanical philosophy has

Where to Go To-night

Capitol—"The Blonde Saint."
Columbia—"Eve's Leaves."
Dominion—"We're in the Navy Now."
Coliseum—"Some Baby."
Playhouse—"The New Minister."
Crystal Garden—Dancing and swimming.

won her the name of "The Blonde Saint."

Doris Kenyon, held to be one of the most beautiful women of the screen, is immense as "The Blonde Saint."

Interwoven in their unique love affair is the romance of a lovely Sicilian girl and her husband, who have been banished to the hills for marrying against the wishes of their families.

These two characters, played by Ann Rork and Gilbert Roland, have almost as much to do with making the picture so absorbing as the principals.

Side by side with the interest of the plot is the artistry of the settings. Tony Gaudin, the photographer, a native of Sicily and familiar with the locale of the photoplay, has produced a number of beautiful effects in the Sicilian fishing village, the temple ruins and the villa on the edge of the sea.

Svend Gade, the Danish director, and Sam E. Rork produced the play for First National.

Do you get a sensation on the heart? Don't be frightened, it's not heart trouble—it's indignation. Seize the Syrup will fix it. Any drug store.

(Adv.)

AT THE DOMINION, THIS WEEK



Wallace Beery and Raymond Hatton in "We're in the Navy Now"

Snappy Tunes and Pretty Girls Are In Coliseum Show

Theatre Brings New Type of Programme on its Stage in "Some Baby"

Continuing their new offerings of full musical shows, the Coliseum Company is this week staging "Some Baby," a musical farce dealing with the somewhat unusual subject of "the Ellixir of Life." The situations are absurdly amusing and the play is entirely an example of light-hearted farce. There is not a serious moment in the comedy and certainly not a dull one.

The story is so utterly extraordinary that interest is sustained throughout. For instance an old man who is obsessed with the idea of getting back his youth in order to marry a young and pretty girl, is last seen with a bottle marked "The Ellixir of Life," and then disappears, but in his place is found a fine baby boy who is playing with the "emptied bottle of 'The Ellixir.'" This would be bad enough, but when the first boy is found to have been joined by a second, everybody not un-naturally believes the worst.

A MODERN FAUST
But things are not always what they seem, wherein lies the big kick of one of the greatest farces ever written. Frank Allwood plays the modern Faust in the story with Gertrude Burton as the girl in the case and Jack Cassidy as her lover.

The production has a number of tuneful songs and melodies, and with the Coliseum girls, and new dresses,

scenery and lighting effects, the show will again be a bright spot in Victoria entertainment.

The Coliseum's decision to offer musical shows has met with much appreciation, and from the rehearsals it appears that "Some Baby" will be as great a hit as the snappy production which inaugurated the new policy.

FAMOUS ACTRESS HERE THURSDAY

Pauline Frederick to Appear in Somerset Maugham Comedy

Pauline Frederick, who will be here Thursday in Edward D. Smith's production of W. Somerset Maugham's comedy, "Lady Frederick," has one beto noire, the first night.

Every time she plays a first night, Pauline Frederick declares that she will never do another play. Stage fright is her one desperate fear.

She can face every other difficulty of life without a quiver. Its only when it comes to speaking those first words of a new play before a new audience Miss Frederick admits to terror.

"Polly" has just overcome another one of those moments of anguish in San Francisco. She opened in "Lady Frederick" there awhile ago and once more experienced cold chills.

But now that's over. When the audience here sees this famous and favorite player, she will have overcome all that, and confident in the

evidences of success which have crowned her work elsewhere she may be depended upon to give a magnificent production.

Leatrice Joy is Star in Columbia Feature Offering

"Eve's Leaves" is One of Season's Finest Silver Screen Hits

Scoring an emphatic hit, Leatrice Joy will be seen in her new star picture, "Eve's Leaves," at the Columbia Theatre this week. A more delightful photoplay has not been seen here this season. The dainty star gave an excellent performance and proved herself a comedienne of no insignificant powers. William Boyd, a popular Cecil B. De Mille star, featured as her leading man, shared stellar honors with Miss Joy in this admirable production.

The scenes of the picture are laid

in Oriental waters, partly aboard a schooner and in the castle of a bandit chief. There is a thrilling Chinese raid, the looting of a town and the abduction of the heroine and hero by the Chinese marauders. The heroine, Eve Macey, the tomboy daughter of a schooner captain, portrayed by Miss Joy, is an outstanding performance. She is romantic and has a knack of tying up folk with her lovers' knot. Mr. Boyd proved him-

self a real he-man in his battles with the bandits to save his little sweetheart. Walter Long as the bandit chief was exceptionally artistic, while Robert Edeson, Richard Carle and Arthur Hoyt were wholly adequate in their portrayals.

"Eve's Leaves" incontestably is a times with genuine enjoyment. The titles are exceptionally witty and picture which one can see several apropos to the subject. The picture was directed by Paul Sloane under

the personal supervision of Cecil B. De Mille and it must be admitted the two made a production which will long be remembered by all who see it.

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As a Caveman in a Cutaway!

AND

Doris Kenyon

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FEATURETTES

Capitol Comedy Creation

Michelin
at the
Organ

"BABES IN THE
JUNGLE"

Fox News
Pathe
Review

Kidnapped on her way to her fiancé—hurled into the dark Mediterranean in the arms of the man she hated above all others—held captive on a wild isle—surrounded by rude peasants half-mad with fear.

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With a Company of Distinguished Players in the Brilliant Society Comedy

"Lady Frederick"

By W. Somerset Maugham, Author of "Rain"

Here is What the Portland, Ore. Critics Said About Miss Pauline Frederick's Performance in the City Last Week—

"There is a masterly power behind the art of Pauline Frederick which made her performance of 'Lady Frederick' last night at the Hellie one of the most remarkable characterizations I have ever seen. Pauline Frederick has a genius for humor and is a rare comedienne. She is stimulating to the eye and the mind, her voice is like lovely music and she has splendid finesse and a thorough knowledge of the theatre. She is slim and beautiful, she is exquisitely groomed and gowned and she is a joy to watch."—Portland Oregonian.

"Pauline Frederick is at all times brilliant and charming. The play, 'Lady Frederick,' is tremendously clever, filled with epigrammatic lines that have the brilliancy of all sophisticated wit."—Portland Telegraph.

"A gem with its emerald rays shedding purest joy, is Pauline Frederick in 'Lady Frederick.' Brilliance marks the play throughout. Sparkling Irish wit brings to mind the emerald smile."—Portland News.

PRICES—

Matinee—Lower Floor, \$1.65; Balcony, \$1.10, 85c and 55c
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MAIL ORDERS NOW

FUNNIEST FILM EVER FLASHED ON SCREEN IS SHOWING AT DOMINION

Wallace Beery and Raymond Hatton Are Human Laugh
Dynamos in War Comedy, "We're in the Navy Now"

The most humanly comic picture to have its incentive in the tragedy of war. That is one of the laudatory messages responsible for Paramount's latest effort to bring the comedy-steeped life of the sailor to the screen. "We're in the Navy Now," which is now showing at the Dominion Theatre, is the result.

From sickbeds in disabled war veterans' hospitals came hundreds of similar notes to Wallace Beery and Raymond Hatton following their initial "Behind the Front" effort. These

bed-ridden heroes were among the enthusiastic champions of the sailor pair in that picture. They lauded it by saying that it was responsible for having brought "the one ray of sunshine which lifted them above the thoughts they try so hard to submerge," and by calling it "the funniest film ever flashed on a screen."

In their second effort to depict the war's sunny side, both Beery and Hatton felt they had a distinct responsibility.

"The letters from the boys, many of whom will never leave their sickbeds, were the most touching messages of encouragement we have ever received," the stars of "We're in the Navy Now" assert. "It is to them that we feel our picture should rightfully be dedicated."

As the greenest lads who ever crossed a gangplank, Beery and Hatton find the World War a confusing mixture of spectacular sea battles, kitchen police, international intrigue, routine duty and shore leave. How they wallow through it all in utter bewilderment, constitutes the most hilarious war history yet filmed.

"We're in the Navy Now" was directed by Edward Sutherland with the characteristic genius which marked "Behind the Front." The supporting cast is headed by Chester Conklin and Tom Kennedy, both of whom are featured.

COLISEUM

(Late Pantages)

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Hincks Presents Screaming Farce At the Playhouse

Miss Roberta Balcom, Dansense,
Features Attractive Pro-
gramme

Reginald Hincks is offering "The New Minister," a musical farce at the Playhouse this week. It is chiefly concerned with the efforts of Miss Stickett (Vivian Coombe) to place the minister of her own choice in the village against the wishes of Mrs. Trotter (Marian Thorne) and Mr. Long (Leslie Martin). They each want different types of ministers, low church, high church, old-fashioned and new.

The love interest is sustained by Sally (Eva Payne) and Jacob (Charles Courtier). The trouble with the minister is that he has been sent to a new sort of lunatic asylum which is run as a village by the lunatics themselves. It happens to have the

same name as the Stickett village and he lands in the wrong place, mistaking perfectly sane people for lunatics. The situations arising from this are extremely ludicrous.

Roberta Balcom always charming, and with a fairy's grace, will contribute a folk dance. The new minister himself will be played by Harold Bechtel and Reginald Hincks plays Mr. Trotter. This is promising programme.

FEATURE PICTURE

Dorothy Mackaill seems to have passed all contestants as the most popular leading lady for Richard Barthelmess. She is seen opposite the handsome actor in "Ransom's Folly," opening at the Playhouse today. This is the fourth picture thus far in which she has supported Barthelmess.

As a change from former roles Miss Mackaill is seen as a simple daughter of the pioneer West in "Ransom's Folly." The picture is an adaptation of the famous Richard Harding Davis story. It concerns the experiences of an adventurous officer attached to a sleepy frontier army post during the early 80's.

NATIONAL BAND OF AUSTRALIA TO PLAY HERE

Famous Musical Organization
Will be Heard at Crystal
Garden Wednesday

Two farewell concerts will be given in Victoria on Wednesday by the Australian National Band prior to sailing by the motorship Aorangi for Sydney.

The Australian bandmen filled a three months' engagement at the British Empire Exhibition in London and were heard by hundreds of thousands of people. On a three-year world tour the band has played in New Zealand, the

United Kingdom, the United States and Canada.

All the soloists of this famous band are decorated with medals won in competition throughout the world. Arthur Stender was three champion cornet soloist of Australia and the winner of over forty medals in solo competitions. Charlie Collins is Australia's champion, trombone soloist. Harold Reid is one of the most brilliant xylophone soloists of his day. Albert A. Baile is the band director, Arthur Stender being deputy bandmaster.

The Australian National Band will perform at the Crystal Garden on Wednesday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock and at 8 p.m. the same day. The matinee performance will be featured for children. At the conclusion of the evening concert on Wednesday the bandmen will go direct to the boat at Pier Two. The Aorangi will be held here a short time to accommodate the band.

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MUCH RADIO INTERFERENCE

Winnipeg, Dec. 12.—Scores of complaints that powerful United States radio broadcasting stations are causing interference with Canadian stations have been received lately by D. R. P. Coates, announcer-manager of the Manitoba Government station CKY. Mr. Coates attributes the cause of congestion of stations in the United States and to temporary confusion due to legal entanglements in connection with radio laws. Canadian stations, he claims, have only had reserved for them a small percentage of broadcasting wave channels, but

even these are being poached upon. It is understood the trouble is a subject of correspondence between the Canadian and United States Governments.

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She—"I'm afraid not; you see, I've done growing."

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HOCKEY, BOXING

Pittsburgh-Maroon Battle In Overtime

Pirates Snap Out of Slump and Hold Champions to 2-2 Deadlock in Thrilling Five-period Struggle; Lester Patrick's Rangers Down Bruins by Odd Goal in Overtime; Senators Are Still Victorious; Cougars Lose to Americans; the Hawks Blank Canadiens

Pittsburgh, Dec. 13.—Pittsburgh held the Montreal Maroons to a 2-2 deadlock in five periods of play on Saturday night. The Pirates had previously lost three consecutive games.

The battle was very rough and may cause the Pirates to suffer another relapse as a result of injuries suffered by Herb Drury, who is believed to have received a fractured hand in a collision. The game was enlivened by a fist fight between Cotton, Pittsburgh, and Dutton, Montreal. They drew two-minute banishments. The Pirates and their opponents both scored in the opening period, with the Maroons adding another in the second, only to have Pittsburgh deadlock with a tally in the third.

Line-up

Montreal	Position	Pittsburgh
Benedict	Goal	Worster
Munro	Defence	Conacher
Noble	Defence	Smith
Stewart	Centre	Milka
Broadbent	Wing	Darragh
Siebert	Wing	Arbore
Dutton	Sub.	Drury
Phillips	Sub.	Cotton
Dinsmore	Sub.	White
Holway	Sub.	McQuire
Carson	Sub.	McKinnon
Horne	Sub.	

Summary

First period—1, Pittsburgh, Arbour, 13:45.
Second period—2, Montreal, Phillips, 14:45.
Third period—4, Pittsburgh, McKinnon, 14:45.
Overtime—No score.
Penalties—
First period—White, Dinsmore, Dutton, Conacher.
Second period—None.
Third period—Munro, Siebert, Dutton.
Overtime—Cotton and Dutton.

New York, Dec. 13.—The New York Rangers were forced into overtime play to defeat the Boston Bruins, 2 to 1, in a National Hockey League game at Madison Square Garden.

League game at Madison Square Garden, New York, Saturday night. The Rangers, coached by Murray Murdoch, youthful Ranger sub, after seven minutes and fifty seconds of extra play, settled the hard-fought contest. John Scott scored New York's first goal, while Shore whipped in the lone Bruin tally.

SIXTEEN PENALTIES
The game was marked by sixteen minor penalties. Jimmy Herberts of the Bruins was fined for using abusive language to the goal judge behind the Ranger net.

Line-up:	Position	Rangers
Stewart	Goal	Chabot
Cleghorn	Defence	Abel
Hitchman	Defence	Johnson
Oliver	Centre	Boucher
Herberts	Centre	Boucher
Gairbairn	Wing	Bunny Cook
Cooper	Substitute	Boyd
Shore	Substitute	Thompson
Keala	Substitute	Murdoch
Briden	Substitute	Murdoch
Contu	Substitute	Rocco
Stuart	Substitute	

Summary
First period—No score.
Second period—1, Rangers, Johnson 13:45; 2, Boston, Shore 23:0.
Third period—No score.
Overtime—3, Rangers, Murdoch 1:56.

Penalties
First period—Hitchman, Cleghorn, Boyd, Johnson.
Second period—Johnson 2, Herberts, Shore, Cleghorn.
Third period—Hitchman, Boyd, Cleghorn, Johnson.
Overtime—Shore, Johnson, Mackey.

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—The Senators of Ottawa continue to hurl back all opposition in their quest of the National Hockey League title. A green-shirted host from Toronto, which in a previous meeting held the locals to a two-goal defeat, this season invaded the capital Saturday night and threatened to repeat the "no goal" performance, but a goal that screamed from the stick of Captain George Boucher less than two minutes before the final bell spelled a 2-1 victory for Ottawa.

The Senators forward registered eight wins without dropping a game in the league chase. After a dismal opening period in which neither squad showed anything resembling good hockey, the game bucked up in the second stanza and from then on the 4,000 fans present were treated to a titanic struggle. The Senator forwards repeatedly cracked the Irish defence wide open only to be turned aside by the redoubtable John Ross Roach, who was forced to absorb forty-six shots during the match. Connell threw himself in the path of twenty-six goal attempts.

THE LINE-UP

Toronto	Position	Ottawa
Roach	Goal	Boucher
Byrd	Defence	Boucher
McCaffrey	Defence	Cheney
Day	Centre	Nighbor
Carson	Wing	Kilrea
Bailey	Sub.	H. Smith
Corbett	Sub.	A. Smith
Bellefleur	Sub.	Halliday
C. Denney	Sub.	Cy. Denney
Cox	Sub.	Gorman
Bourgeault	Sub.	Jackson

Summary
First period—No score.
Second period—1, Toronto, Denney, 11:40; 2, Ottawa, Kilrea, 13:56.
Third period—3, Ottawa, Boucher, 14:15.

Penalties
First period—Bailey, Bourgeault, Cy. Denney, Boucher, Adams.
Second period—Bailey, Nighbor, Boucher, Adams (major).
Third period—McCaffrey, Bourgeault, Bailey, Corbett, Carson, Nighbor, H. Smith 2, Clancy 2.

KEEPS SENATORS UP

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 13.—Taking fewer but better shots, the New York Americans beat the Detroit Cougars 4 to 2 in a N.H.L. game Saturday night.

Detroit was credited with twenty-seven tries for goal and the Americans with twenty-three. But when the New York team took the puck down they had another man to follow or receive passes while the Cougars attackers often were playing lone hands. There were twelve penalties.

Penalties
Detroit—Holmes, Goal, Forbes, Hadderson, Defence, Langlois, Loughlin, Defence, Simpson, Fredrickson, Centre, Burch, Gordon, Wing, R. Green, Arbour, Wing, McKinnon, Sheppard, Sub, Scott, Walker, Sub, Randall, Oatman, Sub, Himes, Kitchen, Sub, Boucher.

Summary
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Penalties
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Canadian Position Chicago
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First period—1, Chicago, Mackay, 15:15.
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Third period—3, Chicago, Hay, 14:26.

Penalties
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Harry Cooper Wins Monterey Open Golf

Del Monte, Cal., Dec. 13.—Playing a steady all-around game with the exception of the last nine holes, Harry Cooper of the El Sereno Country Club, Los Angeles, won the \$5,000 Monterey Peninsula open golf championship yesterday with a score of 223 for the seventy-two holes. His score by rounds was 75, 79, 72, 76.

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BENEFIT DANCE FOR JOCKO ANDERSON WHO IS NOW IN CITY

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The trainmen of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway, with whom Jocko worked when not chasing the puck, will stage a benefit dance for the plucky player to-morrow evening at the Alexandra Club ballroom. A Chevrolet car will be given away in the tombola, and tickets may be secured at the door. The dance will commence at 9 o'clock.

As all the hockey fans will remember, Jocko was put out of the game for the season, if not for good, when he crashed into Siebert, the burly Montreal defence man. His loss was severely felt by the Victoria team. While in a Montreal hospital, Jocko was treated like a prince by the people of the city. His injury has been a long time mending and although it was last April when he received it, he has just come back to Victoria where he has made his home. Victoria hockey fans have long been wishing to do something for the popular ice star and will join with the E. & N. employees in helping him out by attending the dance.

FRANK FREDRICKSON

the tall Icelandic, who has often thrilled the local ice hockey fans with whirlwind rushes and solo tallies, treated the Windsor fans to a sample of his work on Saturday night. With the Cougars one goal behind in their game with the Americans, "Freddie" rushed through and tied the count at the beginning of the third period. His effort was unavailing in the end, however, for the Americans ran in two more counters and won by that margin.

VANCOUVER TO PUT ON ANOTHER GAME FOR CAPT. MURRAY

Vancouver, Dec. 13.—St. Savoir's and St. Andrews, members of the Pacific Coast Soccer League, will play a game next Saturday and the receipts will go to the widow and children of Capt. Murray, who died following injuries received in a rugby match at Brockton Point recently.

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"Is The World Getting Better?"

Text: Isa lxx. 17: "Behold I create . . . a new earth."

Sermon preached by Rev. Dr. J. W. Sipprell at Metropolitan United Church

"Is the World Getting Better?" What do you mean by the world? If you turn to the Scripture you find the world spoken of in reference to various things—the created universe—the race of mankind. The wicked people—God's chosen people. Believers—lusts of the flesh—honors—dignities—good things. The Roman Empire. One discovers at once how necessary it is for us to know just what we are talking about. Let us attach to the word, "the world"—the meaning of people—and ask: "Are People Getting Better?" And at once you provoke another question—viz: What people do you refer to? Do you mean the people of Victoria, of Canada, or of the world?

Are people living to-day on a higher moral and spiritual plane than people lived in former years? Are religion, truth, goodness, brotherhood more manifest in the world to-day than in, shall I say, the world of Jesus' day? Is there to-day a higher conception of righteousness and justice in national and human relations than was known in the days when Christianity and the church was born? How shall we arrive at an answer to such a question? Only by a comparison of the highest type of civilization known in that distant day with the civilization known in our day.

THE CIVILIZATION OF OUR DAY

As representative of the best civilization of our time, may we think of England, Canada and United States any many one may concerning them that allowing for all we know of injustice and unrighteousness in private and in public life, there is no stretch of imagination that would place the civilization of these peoples on the low moral levels of the civilization of the age of Jesus or of Paul. The moral ideal of civilization of our day may not be high in the estimation of the critical but it is a blazing sun as compared with the faint glimmer of light emitted by the civilization of those nations of the long ago.

THE SOCIAL STATUS

Religion in Rome was but a superstition. Men prayed for means to gratify their lusts. Paul said: "To ask and receive and not to give, that ye may consume it upon your lusts." The indecent and immoral were made objects of worship. Marriage had almost ceased, new-born children were often murdered. Abortion was often recommended by the philosophers of the day. Conscience as we know it was unheard of. The poor and the weak were given no consideration. The giving of alms was discouraged. Slavery was part of the system of government. Freedom was but for a few. The law was the chattel of his lord. What of our day? There is not a slave under the Union Jack or the Star Spangled banner. Men are free before the law, free to speak and free to worship. Civil and religious liberty mark a high point in the onward march of the nations toward God and truth.

The poor man has rights and can claim these rights. The man in need can seek assistance and he does not seek in vain. Men cannot be set upon and be robbed and left to die on the Jericho road without some one being called upon to give account. The civilization of our day takes account of the weaker elements of a nation's population and takes steps to meet the need that weakness reveals.

In ages gone weakness became weakness, disease meant death, and light and liberty were the privileges of the few. The regard of the social necessities of life in our day marks a great advance over past ages toward the social ideal.

Regard, if you will, the recent war. What stupendous and magnificent efforts were put forth to try and prevent war, but when the war lords of Germany would have war at any cost and the invader of world peace marched ruthlessly upon Belgium, and when Belgium fought and fell, let it be known to all future history that England flung her armies across the pathway of the Hun and said, "Thou shalt not pass" and he did not pass. The war cost the lives of ten million men, it wrecked the lives of as many more, it baptized the civilized world in blood; but there are other facts to be noted. The World War was indeed an awful price to pay for world peace, but so was Calvary. The World War was not altogether in vain, for it saved internationalism. It defended the rights of weaker peoples. It shattered to fragments the arrogant claims of a blatant militarism, and it resulted in the League of Nations, where at a council table the representatives of all the great nations of the world seek to settle their disputes by other means than by the sword. It has put such a ban upon war as the method of settling international disputes as to make war an outlaw and the makers of war to be criminals before the bar of international justice. There has never been a war in history that has cost the world so much, but no war in history has so completely turned the world against war.

Other wars have seen conquered nations dragged as captives at the chariot wheels of the conqueror. This war has seen a dozen organizations set up to provide for the needs of the victims of the war. No event in history, though we are compelled to write the fact in blood and tears and broken hearts, has done more to hasten the day of world-peace than the war that has devastated Europe and laid a heavy burden upon the world. Passchendaele and Vimy Ridge and Mons and the Somme saw Jesus ascending new Calvaries that through sacrifice He might save the world.

WORLD WELFARE AND CHRISTIAN ACTIVITY

Permit me to go back a few centuries and look at Europe before the Reformation and where do I find myself? In the moral midnight of the Dark Ages. Look at England when Wesley and Whitfield were born and what do we find? Death in the churches, rottenness in public morals and infidelity coming in like a flood. Blackstone, the commentator on English law in the days of George III says he went to every church of note in London and he could not discover whether the minister was a follower of Confucius, Mahomet or Christ.

Two hundred years ago no one dreamed of missionary enterprise or felt our obligation to take the gospel to the world.

Two hundred years ago "The heathen in his blindness, Bowed down to wood and stone," And the heathen was left in that condition.

China, India, Japan, Africa, knew

RADIO TO PENETRATE DANGEROUS SILENCE

The treacherous "silent zone" that has been the dread and despair of ocean voyagers leaving this and neighboring ports at last will surrender its dangerous secret to radio. For three decades shipping masters have groped their way through the treacherous mists of the Strait of Juan de Fuca up to Seattle, Tacoma, Vancouver and Victoria, trusting more to luck than to the powerful fog horn that was supposed to warn them from the reefs and give them their bearings from the Race Rocks lighthouse.

But that horn, powerful as it has been, at one time could be heard at considerable distance, and at another not 100 feet away!

The phenomenon, it is believed, is the result of a peculiar combination of fog and wind.

Radio has been decided upon to replace the horn and thus penetrate this "silent zone." Director of Radio Telegraphy C. P. Edwards and Deputy Minister of Marine Alex. Johnston, in the Canadian Government, are investigating the extraordinary conditions here, with the view of locating a radio beacon at this spot.

MORE RELIABLE

This will be the first radio beacon on the Pacific coast of Canada. Instead of relying on echoes from their own horns, which many times they failed to get, or the sound of the horn on Race Rocks lighthouse, ships will turn their radio compasses to get the signals from the radio beacon at Race Rocks.

Travel through the twelve-mile channel of Juan de Fuca, dividing Vancouver Island and Clallam County, Washington, is comparatively easy until the vessel reaches the Race Rocks lighthouse, fifty miles inland. Here's the entrance to 500 miles of inner coastline where mushroom ports are growing to great cities under the spur of increasing Pacific trade.

HAZARDOUS PASSAGE

In foggy weather the passage is hazardous, the effective width of the channel is lessened considerably and a fierce tide running to more than eight knots combines with the fog to make Race Rocks a dangerous ledge for passing vessels.

Yet here is the "silent zone," just at the point where ships must get their bearings. Vessels passing at times under the shadow of the lighthouse fall to hear its siren roaring but a few hundred feet away.

Many a ship has been steered into disaster because of this. Many lives have been lost.

The radio beacon will eliminate this danger, it is believed, for radio will penetrate the fog and wind against which the sound of the siren failed.



Milk Valuable

Item in Diet of Growing Boy

By DR. MORRIS FISHBEIN

The addition of one pint of milk a day to a diet which satisfied the appetite of growing boys converted an average gain of weight of 3.85 pounds per boy into one of 6.88 pounds, and produced an average annual increase in height from 1.84 inches to 2.43 inches.

This betterment in nutrition, by actual experiment, was proved to be due, not to the relatively small increase in the fuel value of the diet, nor to the extra protein supplied in the milk, but to the specific qualities of milk as a food.

EXPERIMENTS

The experiments were undertaken under the auspices of the Medical Research Council of Great Britain as a part of an extensive series of studies of the child. The experiments were controlled, since they covered the observation of 500 or 600 boys living in a colony near London.

An analysis was first made of the amount of food which these boys were receiving under the standard diet and the average rate of growth. The diets were then modified by the addition of milk and butter in specified amounts.

Housing conditions were standard and did not vary. During four years records were made of the diet actually consumed at the table by weighing sample amounts of the food daily for each of the three meals, and deducting the waste.

It was found that these boys were taking from 1675 to 2154 calories per day, averaging 1916 calories, of which thirteen per cent were protein, eighteen per cent fat and sixty-eight per cent carbo-hydrates.

VALUE OF COW'S MILK

The diets were modified for groups of boys varying from twenty to sixty in a group by the addition of milk to the basic diet, of castor sugar, of butter, of vegetable margarine, of casien, and of watercress.

It was found that almost invariably there was no growth during Summer, and usually more gain in weight at that season.

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gained far more in both weight and height than did any of the others.

This may be taken as another striking demonstration of the importance of milk as a complete food and of the necessity that it form the basic substance in the diet of all growing children.

TWO YOUTHS WERE BURNED TO DEATH

Stockton, Cal., Dec. 12.—Clashed in each other's arms, two unidentified youths burned to death here yesterday in a locked freight car in the Western Pacific yards. The charred bodies were found when a car inspector discovered the car was on fire.

It is thought the two youths lighted a fire in the car after shutting the doors, which has automatic locks.

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THE MAN THE WOMEN LOVED

BY RUBY M. AYRES

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"I am sure Mr. Heffron doesn't want to hear all our little domestic details," she said. "And he can't be a bit interested in babies."

Mrs. Morland looked pained.

"But Mr. Heffron is his godfather," she objected. "Of course he is interested."

Patrick spoke quietly; he was rather pale, and there was a steely gleam in his handsome eyes.

"Indeed, I am very interested, Mrs. Morland. Please go on. You were saying—"

Mrs. Morland's smiles returned. She was all eagerness, and for half an hour she talked of the baby and his wonderfully original ways, until at last Dorothy intervened restlessly.

"Isn't it time you went to bed, Mabel? You look so tired."

"But, my dear—"

"You look very tired," Dorothy urged in the soft voice which could be so firm.

Mrs. Morland departed.

"Next time you see the admonished Patrick Heffron from the doorway," come earlier! You can then see my grandson in his bath!"

When the door shut finally upon her, Dorothy gave a quick sigh of relief and raised her eyes to Patrick's face.

"Well," she said sharply.

Heffron rose to his feet; the room seemed to cramp and stifle him.

"You asked me to come," he said. "You regarded me silently for a moment, then you laughed."

"Behold how the mighty are fallen!" she mocked him. "You are no longer on your knees to me, begging me to come away with you."

He held her eyes with his steady gaze.

"I have never yet been on my knees to any woman, and even if I were so foolish now, you would not come away with me, I know that."

She shrugged her shoulders, then sighed.

"If I did, we should starve with only love to live on."

He did not contradict her. He knew too well that his love was now a negligible quantity.

"And John has twenty thousand a year," he said quietly. "But you do not need me to remind you of that, I am sure."

She winced as if he had hurt her, and rising, she went closer to him.

"Patrick, do you think I should be a fit wife for a poor man?"

He looked down at her flower-like face without a flicker of emotion.

"I am not asking you for anything," he told her.

She paced angrily away, only to return.

"What are you going to do?" she asked in a quick, nervous way. "I thought I understood you so well, and now I know that I don't understand you at all. I thought you loved me, but now I am not sure! You never come near me."

"I take my step from yours," said Heffron.

She struck her hands angrily together.

"How will it end? What do you mean to do?" she cried.

As far as she was concerned it will end next week, he answered. "It will end when I leave England."

"But you will come back some day," she said quickly.

Heffron shook his head. "There is nothing now to bring me back."

Her color rose and her eyes fell.

"There is the child," she said faintly.

He looked at her silently, and suddenly she covered her face with her hands.

"Oh, do you despise me so much?" she whispered.

"I despise myself more," he answered.

It was such a terrible unreality. Once he had held this woman in his arms, and felt her heart beating wildly against his own; but now they stood with only a pace between them, looking at one another with cold eyes.

As if conscious of the tragedy of it all, and as if trying to find some means of defence for herself, Dorothy cried out:

"I've suffered! You will never know how I suffered without you all those months, those long, dreadful months! And now you have gone, and my heart seems like a stone."

"You need not have been without me," he said.

He wanted to be kind to her, he wanted desperately to see the woman that would help her, but no words would come, and she said again, almost sobbing:

"Patrick—I can trust you? You promised—you gave me your word of honor."

"I shall keep my word."

That was all she asked. There was no mention of John, no mention of her son, or of the past. She was content that it should be wiped out as if it had never been; content that Heffron's given word of honor should set the sure seal to her security.

Heffron squared his shoulders. "I think I will say goodbye now."

Her color faded.

"But I shall see you again, Patrick? You are not leaving England yet?"

"I go next week."

She put both her hands behind her with the same little protesting gesture which Mollie had made a few days before.

"Oh, no, no!" she said breathlessly.

His face twisted into a whimsical smile. "Why not? Who wants me if I stay?"

She left that unanswered, and he shrugged his shoulders.

"You see!" he said.

"Try not to blame me too much," she whispered.

He answered steadily: "I have never blamed you, only myself! He held out his hand. 'If ever you want me—if ever there is anything I can do for you—' he said hoarsely."

She broke down into sudden bitter weeping.

"Oh, I hate myself more than you can ever hate me. I wish—I wish I were strong and brave. I wish I could always see what I ought to do, and be strong enough to do it as Mollie does—I wish I were like Mollie."

Like Mollie! Heffron turned his face away. What would Mollie think of him, of them both, if she knew the truth? He could not bear to picture the disgust which would fill her honest eyes; he could not bear to think of the way in which she would turn from him. He moved

restlessly, anxious to be gone, and at that moment there was a knocking at the front door.

Dorothy started. "It's Isabel. She mustn't see me crying, I'll go."

She fled from the room and Heffron heard her light step overhead as he went slowly into the hall.

A servant had just admitted Isabel; rather a bored looking girl, whose face lightened wonderfully when she saw him.

"Are you just going? I'm home early. The Fisks are the dearest souls on earth, but they bore me to death."

"The gave her cloak to the maid."

"Don't go yet, Patrick. Come back and smoke a cigarette with me."

"I've been here an unreasonable time already," he answered. "I've driven Mrs. Morland to bed, and Dorothy has been yawning in my face for the last half hour."

She raised her brows superciliously.

"You don't expect me to believe that, do you? You are a great favorite of Dorothy's. We all know that."

"You are very flattering." He followed her again to the drawing-room reluctantly.

"Why, where is Dorothy?"

"She ran upstairs a moment ago for something."

"Oh!" she went over to the fire and held her hands to the warmth.

Strictly speaking, Isabel was not a handsome woman, but she looked her best in evening dress, and she was fully aware of the fact as she turned her head slowly and found his gaze upon her.

"So you are going abroad again?"

"Yes. Next week."

"Why?"

"Why?" she laughed. "Isn't it obvious? For one thing there is no reason why I should stay, and for another, even if I wished to do so, I cannot afford to keep up the old house."

She averted her face, staring down into the glowing fire.

"You should marry an heiress, Patrick," she said, with a little nervous laugh.

"So I am told," he answered grimly.

"Unfortunately, I do not include many amongst my acquaintances."

The slightest quiver crossed her face.

"Perhaps you are one of those ridiculous men with scruples," she said lightly.

Heffron shook his head. "I've been accused of a great many things, but never that of having scruples about anything."

She turned round, leaning her white shoulders against the carved mantelpiece, her dark eyes raised fearfully to his face.

"Do you mean that?" she asked.

"Do? Why, certainly."

There was a little eloquent pause, then she said deliberately:

"I am a rich woman, Patrick, and I don't want you to go abroad again."

For a moment he stared at her, not understanding, then the hot color rushed in a crimson tide to his face.

He tried to answer, tried to say something, anything that would hide his deep mortification and distress. John's sister, John's sister had offered herself to him.

"I know you're not serious, of course! It's awfully good of you, mean. . . . It was of one use, he broke down hopelessly; then, after a moment: 'I think I'd better go,' he said humbly."

To be continued.

BEDTIME STORY

Uncle Wiggily's Tree Trimmings

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By HOWARD R. GARIS

Once upon a time, as Uncle Wiggily hopped past the Hollow Stump School, he saw the Lady Mouse Teacher creeping out to peak to the old rabbit gentleman.

The Lady Mouse had tied a pink ribbon on her tail, not so much to look stylish as to keep her tail from being stepped on when the animal children excited their lessons.

"Is anything the matter?" asked Uncle Wiggily, when he saw the Lady Mouse holding up her paw to stop him, like a traffic policeman. "I mean a school on fire or are any of the little boys and girls playing tricks?"

"No, nothing like that," squeaked the Lady Mouse. "But I saw you coming and I was wondering if you knew where I could get some Christmas tree trimmings."

"It is too early to trim Christmas trees," said the bunny.

"Oh, I'm not exactly going to trim a tree," went on Miss Mouse. "But in one of my classes there is a poor little pussy girl, whose father and mother have very little money. She heard the other animal children talking about buying Christmas tree trim-

ming at the three and four cent store, and I know Mewie, which is the little thing's name—I know she felt sad. She will not be able to buy any bright things for her Christmas tree, if, indeed, she has one."

Down into his pocket went the paw of Uncle Wiggily, and the Lady Mouse teacher heard the jingle of money.

"No! No! Not that!" squeaked Miss Mouse. "It is very generous of you, but I think it would be much better to show Mewie, if you could, how to get her own Christmas tree trimmings, rather than to give her pennies to buy them."

"Perhaps it would be," agreed Uncle Wiggily. "It would make her more independent like. But how is it you can come out of school to speak to me? What is going on in there?"

"Oh, the children are very good," answered Miss Mouse. "I let Baby Bunt have charge of the classes while I crept out to speak to you. But I must hurry back. Now do you think you could show Mewie a way to get Christmas tree trimmings without spending money which she hasn't got, and can't get. Do you?"

"I think so," said Uncle Wiggily, twinkling his pink nose. "But can Mewie come out of class?"

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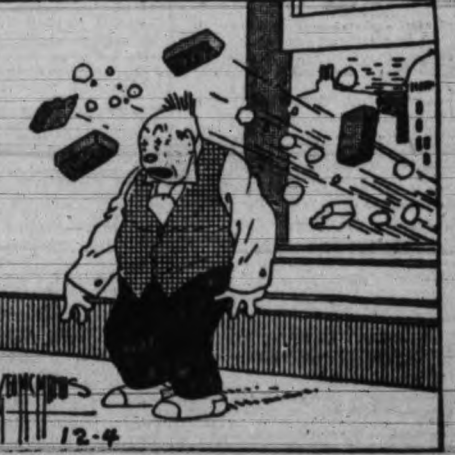


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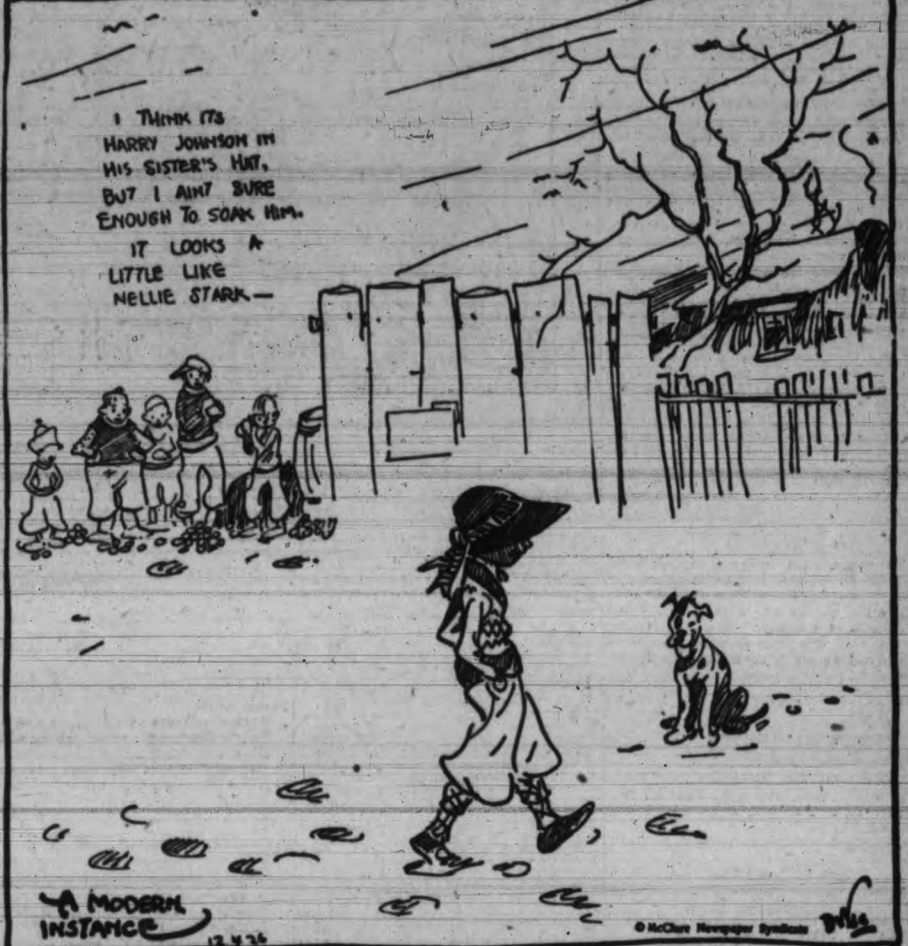
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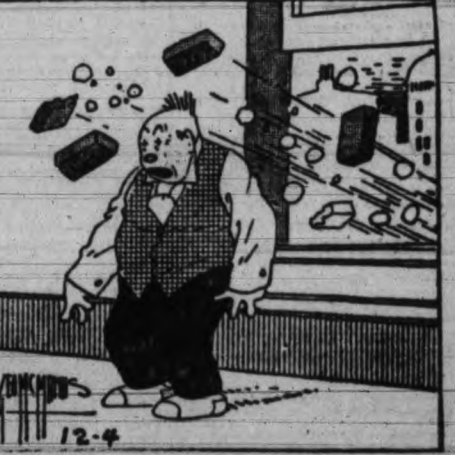


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Motion pictures also partake of the good fortune that apparently will affect the stage, and many new inventions will promote their vogue.

Amusement of every sort are to become more and more popular in the United States, where athletics as well as other recreations will benefit.

The signs to-day are most encouraging to persons in the sun, including governors of states and heads of big business enterprises.

Aviation is under the most stimulating influence and astrologers forecast the common use of airplanes within a decade.

Hotelkeepers should rejoice for the stars promise them prosperity. They are to harbor many more guests next year than ever before in this country.

Persons whose birthdate it is have the augury of a year of extraordinary progress and prosperity.

Children born on this day are believed to be rarely fortunate. These subjects of Sagittarius usually have no difficulty in finding for their life work just what is most desired.

INTELLIGENCE TEST

TEST ANSWERS

These are the correct answers to the 100 intelligence questions which appeared on Saturday:

1—Aaron's rod turned into a serpent, before Pharaoh.
2—Solomon.
3—On Mount Hor.
4—Lamech.
5—Philitines.
6—Yes.
7—Benaiah.
8—Three.
9—Jacob and Leah.
10—Old Testament.

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 13

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7:30 p.m.—West Coast information service.

CFQC (416.7) Vancouver, B.C.
7:30-8:30 p.m.—Bedtime stories, Miss Helen Badger.

CFPD (411) Vancouver, B.C.
8:15-8:30 p.m.—Announcements, etc.

8:30-9:30 p.m.—Studio programme.

CJOH (281) Vancouver, B.C.
7:30-8 p.m.—Vancouver Music Co. Lane Kennedy, piano; Dick Perks, trumpet and saxophone.

8:10 p.m.—Studio programme to be announced.

CJAB (405.8) Calgary, Alta.
8:30 p.m.—Austrian quartette and assisting artists.

CJVR (281) Vancouver, B.C.
10-11 p.m.—Dance music from Cabaret Helmet.

KFII (236) Juneau, Alaska
7-8 p.m.—Musical.

KFOA (464.5) Seattle, Wash.
6:45-7:15 p.m.—KFOA Radio Movie Club.

7:15-7:45 p.m.—Waldo Sanatorium string trio.

7:45-8:15 p.m.—Raymond David Homes.

8:15-8:30 p.m.—Industrial news by Mfg. Assoc. of Washington.

8:30-9 p.m.—The Times presents a studio programme.

KFON (232.4) Long Beach, Cal.
7-8 p.m.—Thrifty Sandy programme.

8-9 p.m.—Studio programme.

KFWB (283) Hollywood, Cal.
9-11 p.m.—Aldrich Club.

7-8 p.m.—Friendly Dan's orchestra and soloists.

8-9 p.m.—News items.

8-10 p.m.—Sealy Mattress orchestra and assisting artists.

9-10 p.m.—American Dye Works orchestra and soloists, followed by Warner Bros. frolic.

KFVI (239) San Francisco, Cal.
8 p.m.—Studio hour.

9 p.m.—Popular songs.

Egg Market

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—Toronto, extras 54c, firsts 52c, seconds 50c.

Montreal, extras 52c, firsts 46c to 50c, seconds 42c to 46c.

Winnipeg, extras 54c, firsts 52c, seconds 46c.

Saskatchewan, extras 45c to 50c, firsts 42c to 46c, seconds 40c.

Edmonton, extras 50c, firsts 45c, seconds 40c.

Vancouver, extras 45c, firsts 42c to 46c, pullet extras 26c to 30c.

Chicago, spot 42c to 45c, December 12 1/2c, January 12 1/2c, February 12 1/2c.

New York, extra firsts 52c to 55c, firsts 47c to 49c, December 12 1/2c.

Montreal, Dec. 12.—Cheese and eggs steady, butter firm.

Butter, No. 1 pasteurized 40c to 40 1/2c.

Eggs, storage extras 45c to 46c, storage firsts 42c to 44c, storage seconds 38c to 40c, fresh specials 45c.

Higher Our Civilization, Less Tolerant We Are

By OLIVE ROBERTS BARTON

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It concerns the person who is trying to please and whose good will you can hope to keep only by doing him eternal favors.

A spoiled child grows up into this sort of a person—the older he gets the more he demands service—service that runs the gamut of all favors—concession of opinion, precedence of place, in short he knows not the first principle of group living which has "selfishness" for its pass word.

There is the club woman who is always a source of dissension and trouble unless she is an officer and running things to suit herself—then she can be all amiability and friend-

liness. If by reason of fairness others get their turns, she entertains herself by putting the numbers continuously on the defensive on every issue that comes up.

There is the college girl who is all smiles and sweetness as long as she is the centre of attraction. She ceases to be the friend instantly of anyone who outclasses her, outdresses her, or gains a coveted place on a team.

Men as a rule are better fitted for group living than women, contrary to all the annals of sex. Among lower animals it is the male that is intolerant. The higher we go in civilization the more tolerance we find among men and the less tolerance we find among women—for each other.

A woman who can out-dress, out-sing, out-paint, out-travel, or outdo her neighbor in any way whatsoever has a hard time of it often. She is always running up against the person she has to concede—the quail, spoiled woman who has never grown up, and who will only be her friend if she sidesteps to let her pass.

We might look ourselves over. Do we give people the feeling when they are with us that they must apologize for living? Are we constantly "carrying a chip" and compelling others to placate us?

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On Second Thought Jeff Figures Maybe Mutt Was Right

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YOU'VE MADE ME THE LAUGHING STOCK OF THE CLUB BY SAYING I NEVER OPEN MY MOUTH WITHOUT PUTTING MY FOOT IN IT!

BUT IT'S THE TRUTH!

IT'S AN INSULT AND I DEMAND AN APOLOGY: GET ME?

I DO OFFER YOU MY HUMBLE APOLOGY!

WHEN I MADE THAT REMARK I OVERLOOKED THE SIZE OF YOUR FEET!

MY WORD! SOME HOOF!

YARD STICK

OUT OUR WAY



STORM IN ALBERTA CAUSED TWO DEATHS

Farm Woman and Two-Year-Old Daughter Were Frozen Near Hanna

Disturbance Which Swept Prairie Provinces Worst This Winter

Calgary, Dec. 12.—In one of the worst snowstorms seen in this district since 1907, Mrs. John P. Stewart and a two-year-old daughter lost their lives in their own farmyard, six miles east of Hanna, Saturday night.

Mrs. Stewart, who was alone on the farm with her two children, attempted to go out into the yard to ascertain what had kept her other daughter out so long doing chores. She took with her her two-year-old child, Cecelia, and apparently the fierce storm threw her out of line with the outbuildings.

The older daughter came back into the house and found her mother and little sister missing and went out to look for them. After visiting all of the outbuildings and calling through the storm she gave up the hunt, believing her mother had gained safety somewhere. At 3 o'clock Sunday morning the surviving child went to her uncle and told the terrible story.

At daylight searchers, visited the Stewart home and discovered the bodies of Mrs. Stewart and the infant lying in the snow a few feet from the barn in a coulee.

STRONG WINDS

Regina, Dec. 12.—With a wind ranging in velocity from forty to eighty miles an hour, the worst blizzard of this winter and one of the most severe in several years, whipped across the entire province, whirling snow and ice in its path.

Accompanying the wind was a temperature of 14 to 15 degrees below zero.

In the western part of the province much snow fell. In eastern sections the snowfall diminished, but a strong wind from the north all day Sunday.

SASKATOON SHIVERED

Saskatoon, Dec. 12.—With a biting wind from the northwest Saturday and a temperature that stood in the early morning at 35 below zero, followed by a Sunday morning blizzard of 25 below, citizens of Saskatoon and district kept as closely to their homes yesterday as was possible.

Saturday night was one of the most bitter in local weather annals and country travel was at a standstill. Little delay was reported in train service, but the driving snow gave some difficulties even to double-headed trains. From Canby came a report of drifts from ten to twenty feet high, covering one-story buildings and filling highways and railway cuts. Telephone service was disrupted, and at some places it was said would not be restored before Sunday.

EDMONTON SUFFERED

Edmonton, Dec. 12.—The worst blizzard Edmonton had experienced in a year blew itself out Saturday night and yesterday, cold, clear weather prevailed with below zero temperatures. Practically all day

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Saturday and late into the night a howling blizzard, with the wind blowing forty miles an hour, gave the city one of the most uncomfortable Saturdays in years. The street car system was demoralized and telegraph and telephone wires were blown down in a number of districts. The lowest barometric pressure in at least twelve years was experienced Saturday.

DIFFICULTIES AT CALGARY

Calgary, Dec. 12.—Business throughout the whole Calgary district was almost paralyzed, street car service was partly disorganized, many telephone and forty electric light poles were blown down and a whole city's activities were brought almost to a standstill Saturday during a snowstorm lashed by a thirty-four-mile wind. The storm raged furiously sixteen hours, and finally died out early Sunday morning. Four-and-a-half inches of snow fell and the mercury, which just before the storm had gone to 52 above zero, dropped to 16 below zero. Coming on Saturday and following a chinook of several days, the storm kept Christmas shoppers at home, and the result was that merchants did little business, and the theatres were practically deserted Saturday night.

LIQUOR SHIPMENTS ARE CARRIED BY CANADA'S STEAMERS

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Martino, in reality M. F. Malens, a United States secret service officer, gave evidence last week.

Vancouver, Dec. 12 (Canadian Press)—Tom Fay, who is wanted by the Customs Inquiry Commission to tell what he knows about the liquor cargo of the power schooner Chris Moeller, now moored at Victoria, was not on hand when the commission resumed its sittings here this morning.

Hon. N. W. Rowell, K.C., commission counsel, said Mr. Fay's solicitor had informed him the witness would be available late in the day.

"Do witnesses in Vancouver set their own hours for appearing?" asked Commissioner Wright.

Mr. Rowell said he had been asked to postpone examination of Mr. Fay until later in the week and had refused.

THREE WITNESSES WANTED

Counsel went on to say it had been impossible to secure three important witnesses because they were out of town. The names of these witnesses were James Ball, J. F. Wilcox and A. L. McLeannan. He would like these witnesses to know they must appear and give evidence, either in Vancouver or at some other point. The commission would not return to Vancouver and these witnesses would be required to go to another place if they did not appear here.

"We must have their evidence," said Chairman J. B. Macdonald.

R. WHITEHEAD TESTIFIES

Russell Whitehead, one of the directors of the Consolidated Exporters, was called. Examined by Mr. Rowell, he said his company now controlled a brewery, a distillery and a number of export licenses.

The witness said that, as far as he knew, consular invoices were unnecessary for liquor shipments to Mexico.

"I am informed they are necessary," said Mr. Rowell.

"I don't know anything about that," said the witness.

Mr. Whitehead was asked to give the name of the man who arranged for the landing certificates.

"Gonzales," he said.

"Where does he live?" he was asked.

"Guaymas, Mexico," he said.

LANDING OF GOODS

"Have the goods sent to Mexico and Central America actually been landed in those countries?" asked Mr. Rowell.

"I don't know."

"Can you tell me a single shipment which was landed at the point men-

tioned in the landing certificates?" "No; I have no proof."

"Has a single case been landed at the point of shipment?"

"I don't know."

NOT INTERESTED

Mr. Whitehead said he did not think the Government of Canada was interested in these shipments as long as some of the liquor came back into Canada. On two occasions, he declared, a former Minister of Customs had stated he did not care how much liquor went to the United States as long as none of it came back into Canada. Also, while other steamship companies had refused to handle in transit liquor shipments to or from Mexico, the Canadian Government Merchant Marine had accepted the job.

"They said they would handle the shipment, more a ton," said Mr. Whitehead. "We thought we could not be associated with anyone better than the Dominion Government and that we were quite safe."

"Who made this arrangement with you?" asked Mr. Rowell.

"It was made by our London agent, William Wooley, with the London office of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine," said Mr. Whitehead.

"Who in Montreal confirmed the arrangement?" asked Mr. Rowell.

"Mr. Whitehead did not know, but promised to write to London and get the correspondence, which would give all particulars."

"SHIPPING NAMES"

Mr. Whitehead said John Douglas & Company and W. O. Watson, consignees for large shipments of liquor and presumably resident in Mexico or Central America, were "merely shipping names."

John Douglas & Company represented a number of liquor "operators" who lived in the United States. Watson was in the same category. When asked to explain why John Douglas & Company had changed their address, Mr. Whitehead said he did not know.

Landing certificates were obtained at the ports to which the liquor was consigned. The witness said there was a certain amount of expense in getting these certificates and that the price varied. This was in the form of export duty.

"Which is the cheapest, Mexico, Nicaragua or San Salvador?" asked Mr. Rowell.

"I don't know," was the reply.

QUESTION OF AFFIDAVITS

Mr. Rowell produced a number of declarations signed by Mr. Whitehead on in-transit shipments in which the witness declared on oath that liquor shipments were really going to points in Mexico.

Mr. Whitehead said that, while he knew this liquor was to be consumed in the United States, he thought the vessels would go to the ports mentioned.

Recently, said Mr. Whitehead, he had been signing these affidavits. He did not go before the collector to do so.

"Are you serious in your statement that you did not take these affidavits before the collector?" asked Commissioner Wright.

"Yes," said the witness.

He was positive in his declaration that he did not appear before the collector to make affidavits.

He did not read a statement by the collector at Vancouver that the document was signed before him.

The examination of Mr. Whitehead was interrupted by Mr. Rowell in order that counsel might examine Thomas Fay.

Mr. Fay said he had been a liquor salesman for sixteen years and he had lived in Vancouver twenty-five years.

"How many automobiles have you?" asked Mr. Rowell.

"One," was the reply.

"You have more than your garage?"

"My son has one."

"What names do you travel under?" asked Mr. Rowell.

"I can't remember them all," said the witness. "I take any name that happens to come into my head."

Mr. Fay said he had traveled under the names of Doherty, Cameron, Black and Blossom.

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 12.—Vancouver sittings of the Customs Inquiry Commission will be concluded next Friday. Then the commissioners, with the exception of Chief Justice J. T. Brown, chairman of the commission, will leave for the East to spend Christmas at home. Chief Justice Brown will join his family in California for Christmas.

Sittings will be resumed at Calgary in the New Year and it is found possible to hear all the Vancouver witnesses before adjournment on Friday, those remaining will be asked to give evidence in Calgary.

During the remaining days of the sittings here, the commission will be given further light in regard to commercial smuggling.

WILL AGAIN RUN FOR OAK BAY SEAT

Councillor E. C. Hayward

Announces Intention to Seek Re-election

When the municipal election is held in Oak Bay next January, Councillor E. C. Hayward will seek re-election. Mr. Hayward, who is chairman of the finance committee, is senior member of the governing body, having been a councillor since 1922.

Mr. Hayward has been prominent in the affairs of Oak Bay. Before running for council he was a member of the School Board for two years. During his first two years on the council he was elected chairman of the public works committee. Two years ago when Reeve H. S. Anson was elected to office, Mr. Hayward was chosen to fill the post of chairman of the finance committee.

During the time Mr. Hayward has held this position Oak Bay has put through two big projects, the acquisition of the Uplands property and disposal of reverted lands by auction.

She said, very solemnly, "I cannot marry you because I do not love you. But I will be your sister."

"Yes, sir," he answered, with a triumphant smile, "and how much do you think our father will leave us when he dies?"

NEW CO-OPERATION LAW CONSIDERED TO SEE FRUIT CRISIS

Barrow Favors Compulsory Measures Where Majority of Growers Demand Them

Proposed Bill Would Apply to All Branches of Agriculture Which Want It

With fruit growers of the interior of British Columbia clamoring for action to save their industry from financial collapse, the Provincial Department of Agriculture has under consideration now legislation which would provide for the enforcement of co-operative marketing in any branch of agriculture where a big majority of the growers favor it.

Following the announcement of Hon. E. D. Barrow, Minister of Agriculture last week that he favored, in principle, definite proposals along this line are being shaped by the agricultural department now. If they are considered acceptable, they will go before the Legislature at its coming session.

WOULD BE BROAD

The proposed legislation would be broad in its effect and designed to prevent a small majority of growers in any line of agriculture dominating so often.

Such a scheme would have wide support in the Legislature on both sides of the House, growers and others who sponsor the idea, declare they expect many Conservatives would vote for the measure even though the Government brought it down.

It has been chiefly from Conservatives in fact that the Legislature has heard most about the problems of the interior fruit areas in late years.

CRISIS RECOGNIZED

Official consideration of co-operative legislation follows the agreement among fruit men that the interior fruit industry has reached a crisis and that drastic steps of some sort must be taken to prevent it from serious financial trouble. The Government not only is interested from the standpoint of the men in the industry, but also because it has some \$2,500,000 tied up in irrigation projects in the interior of which is bound up in the success of the fruit industry.

While some demand has been made for relief in Government irrigation charges, officials of the Department of Agriculture do not believe that this measure would put the fruit industry on a basis of permanent prosperity. In better times, it is felt, the fruit men would solve the problem.

For this reason the compulsory co-operative idea is being considered.

GENERALLY APPLICABLE

If the Government decides to father a law along these lines it will be applicable to all branches of agriculture which wish to adopt it. That is, potato growers, for instance, would adopt co-operation through their own organization, if a large majority—probably seventy-five or eighty per cent—favored it.

In every case, however, it would be essential to control the commodity involved. That is, there would be no use in putting the Okanagan apple growers on a co-operative basis if the growers in the Okanagan were selling their apples independently and wrecking the market built up through co-operation in the Okanagan.

B.C. TELEPHONE CONTROL BOUGHT BY KANSAS CITY FIRM FOR \$220 A SHARE

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J. M. Perry, formerly president of the Commerce Trust Company of Kansas City, will be president of the new holding company, and Mr. Crane will serve as vice-president and director.

Mr. Crane announced that extensive improvements would be carried out to the service in B.C., including the probable conversion of the present system to automatic, "in the most economical way over a period of years."

Important increases in B.C. will continue to be associated in the ownership and operation of the company. Present plans are carried through, Mr. Crane also said. It is probable that all apparatus and supplies will be furnished by Canadian manufacturers.

The directors of the B.C. Telephone Company at present are Senator G. H. Barnard of Victoria, Mrs. L. A. Lefevre, R. E. Baker, W. H. Barker, and A. E. Tregent of Vancouver.

Members of the group listed in Kansas City to-day as owning interests in the new holding company, according to a Canadian Press dispatch to The Times to-day, include The Associated Telephone and Telegraph Company of Kansas City; Theodore Gary & Company, London; International Automatic Telephone Company Limited, London; British Insulated Cables Limited; Cable, Telephone and General Trust Limited; Siemens Brothers & Company Limited; J. M. Perry, Kansas City capitalist.

Mr. Halse said to-day that the question of changing the name of the company would be left to the local management. No immediate changes in that direction are expected, however. Recent extensions of the B.C. company, it was explained, have been made with that eventually provided for.

Customer—"I want to return this book I bought, 'Stories for All Occasions.'"

Bookseller—"What's the matter with it?"

"It's a fake. There's nothing in it for a man to tell his wife when he gets home late."

"You say that all these pictures have been drawn with your left hand?" said the passer-by.

"Yes, sir," admitted the pavement artist, proudly.

"Well," replied the critic, "that's no excuse."

"What, another row with your wife? What's the trouble this time?"

"The same old thing—she's right and I don't agree with her."

BIG OPPORTUNITY FOR SERVICE WORK

Rev. W. A. Guy Tells Gyros of Best Way to Get 'Citizenship'

"Citizenship" was Rev. W. A. Guy's topic when he addressed the weekly meeting of the Gyro Club at the Chamber of Commerce to-day. He liked to meet the men of the Service Clubs, he said, and talk to them, because, as a minister, he considered himself in a way an educationist, and educationists owed society a great debt. This debt, he said, he could partly repay by coming and talking to them. It was a privilege as well as a duty, he declared.

Service clubs, as he saw them, were like post-graduate classes of students of human nature. If men of these clubs only came to the meetings to let the powers of their minds and lives find expression it was well. These meetings were like oil on the machinery of life, making human contacts, smoothing the road to society, said Rev. Guy.

In club life, as in every walk of life, he said, men liked to have an objective. But in clubs, having accomplished something, strove towards it, did something practical, rendering service to the community thereby.

That thought of an objective made men do big things, and their accomplishment made people realize that the clubs were really worth something.

Back at his old home in Swift Current, said the speaker, the service club in which he had had membership, made a playground for children. They built a skating rink adequate for a children's playground. Later they turned their attention towards the establishing of a memorial to men who served and died overseas. They brought a beautiful park to Swift Current.

In Vernon he had seen the same thing. There the service clubs had brought unity and had built a fine community hall.

He congratulated the Gyro Club on its work for the Victoria Protestant Orphanage.

There was a need, he said, for trained boys. Here was a great opportunity for the guaranteeing of Canadian youth, he said. They should be led into a life of outlook and progress. The task called for hard work and patience, he said, but the effort would mean big things for the community. The boys offered a ready opportunity to clubmen, said Rev. Guy.

Thanking the speaker for his remarks, President Archie Muir said that the Gyro appreciated their opportunities and hoped to accept new responsibilities.

Gyro Frank Gregory was welcomed at the luncheon.

He brought greetings from the Edmonton Club, whose city he visited during his honeymoon.

Two Are Injured In Train Collision

Calgary, Dec. 12.—E. R. Howatson and J. J. Swift of Calgary, trainmen on a southbound fast freight on the C.P.R. were injured and several head of cattle killed in a collision at Aldridge at 10 o'clock Saturday night when the freight crashed into an engine of a way freight standing on the main line.

The injured men received bad cuts on the face, arms and legs by bursting steam pipes and are in hospital. They were in the cab of the engine at the time of the accident.

The engine was standing at the station and it was impossible to see the signal fuses put out to warn the freight. Train service on the Calgary-Edmonton line was disrupted by the storm, which J. M. Cameron, division superintendent of the C.P.R., says was the worst in his experience. For a time two passenger trains and four freight trains were practically smothered in.

HUNDREDS ENJOY SUNDAY CONCERT

16th Canadian Scottish Give Fine Programme at Crystal Garden

In spite of a regular winter's night hundreds of citizens were present at the Crystal Garden last evening to greet the 16th Canadian Scottish and assist at a series of Sunday evening band concerts.

The programme of ten numbers, eight of which were given by the band, again won for the 16th Canadian Scottish the reputation of being one of the best of the series.

These were the "Barber of Seville" overture, the dainty "Forget-Me-Not" intermezzo (Macbeth), the "Coppelia" suite by Delibes, the "Pleasant Characteristic" "Algerian Song" by Ketschell, written to portray the romance and atmosphere of an Eastern song, and "The Gondoliers," the latter included by bandmaster James M. Miller, in view of the coming visit of D'Oyly Carte Opera Company, early in the New Year. This popular and successful work is the last of the famous Gilbert and Sullivan combination, and was first produced in 1889.

The number of the flute and clarinet, Bishop's ever fresh, "Lo, Hear the Gentle Lark," played by bandmen Jones and Cadwalladr, the brilliantly accomplished, and not with great applause. The cadenza was a fine performance.

Miss Doris Bagshaw, soprano, and the boy soprano, Leighton Winter, on this occasion supplied the vocal numbers. Miss Bagshaw has a charming soprano voice, which she uses with considerable skill. She gave evidence of serious study, and sang in delightful manner and with clear diction, (a) "Calm as the Night" (Bohm), (b) "Homage" (del Rio), and in demand of those present gave "Just A-Weir" for you (Carrie Jacobs Bond).

Leighton Winter, boy soprano, has a remarkable voice, and is equipped with much of the serious study. He gave the well-known aria, Handel's "Lullaby" (Lullaby).

What, another row with your wife? What's the trouble this time? "The same old thing—she's right and I don't agree with her."

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Plated Silver Cigarette Case, \$3.00 to.....	\$10.00
Ebony Hair Brushes, \$4.50 to.....	\$10.00
Dressing Sets, \$7.50 to.....	\$25.00
Solid Gold Signet Ring, \$4.00 to.....	\$20.00
Walking Stick, \$1.00 to.....	\$10.00
Wrist Watch, \$7.00 to.....	\$50.00

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Pearl Necklace, \$3.00 to.....	\$50.00
Colored Ivory Toilet Sets, \$10.00 to.....	\$30.00
Bedroom Clock, \$1.00 to.....	\$25.00
Mantel Clock, \$7.50 to.....	\$50.00
Folding Clock, \$5.00 to.....	\$20.00
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Bead Bags, \$5.00 to.....	\$15.00
French Novelty Bracelets, \$1.00 to.....	\$7.00
French Novelty Neckties, \$3.00 to.....	\$20.00
Stainless Knives, half dozen.....	\$3.50
Stainless Carvers, \$5.00 to.....	\$15.00
Chime Clock, \$40.00 to.....	\$75.00